

Solving the equine equation

City ordinance, citizens group working for wild horse protection

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

Virginia Beach, the state's largest city and the home of more than 400,000 people, seems an unlikely place to encounter a herd of wild horses.

Still, if you've ever gone south of Sandbridge, you might have seen them feeding or resting in the grassy areas or playing in the surf on the city's wilder-ness beaches.

This dwindling herd of wild horses, said to be descended from Spanish mustangs, often delight visitors at False Cape State Park and Back Bay Wildlife Refuge who spot them grazing in grassy areas or romping in the surf.

Sometimes, however, they stray too far north, into the residential neighborhoods at Sandbridge where they have to compete for space with cars, houses and people.

Where, in a densely populated area, is there room for the wild mustang?

That's the perplexing question that's

concerned wildlife officials, Sandbridge homeowners and horse lovers for years.

Now, members of Tidewater Western Riders, with the help of city officials and local civic organizations, think they've hit on a solution.

City Council recently passed an ordinance that makes it a misdemeanor to lure, injure, kill or feed the wild ponies.

Tidewater Western Riders, under the leadership of Gene and Donna Snow, will also work with area veterinarians who have agreed to treat the animals when they're injured or sick. This group also rounds up horses that stray too far north and transports them back to the open beaches of Corolla where they can roam safely.

"In the past year, we've taken 10 horses back," Snow said. "We also go down to Corolla and get them down there when they've gotten out onto the road where they can be hit by cars."

"The horses are protected by a North Carolina ordinance and kept on the beach



WILD AND FREE. These horses are members of a dwindling herd that roams the beaches in southern Virginia Beach and Corolla, N.C.

by a fence that stretches from the ocean to the sound. Sometimes, however, they manage to escape out onto the road when a gate is accidentally left open."

During the summer, the horses usually stay on the North Carolina beaches,

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Parents program

The Virginia Beach Extension Office is offering a "Parents Taking Charge" certificate program to help moms and dads develop effective parenting skills.

The sessions will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday evenings during February at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center, Department of Agriculture, Building 14.

The program will cover the Ages and Stages of Development, Feb. 4; Creating A Safe Environment, Feb. 11; Effective Parent Communication, Feb. 18; and Discipline vs. Punishment, Feb. 25.

A \$20 registration fee covers materials and refreshments and certificates will be presented at the end of the four weeks.

Register before Jan. 27 by calling the extension office, 427-4769.

First Citizen award

The Virginia Beach Jaycees are in search of the 1998 First Citizen of Virginia Beach.

This award recognizes a Virginia Beach resident whose achievements and accomplishments best exemplify the principles of the Virginia Beach Jaycees — leadership in community service, development of business management skills and the growth of individual personality and spirituality.

For more information or to receive a nomination packet call Chris, 426-8484 or 499-8822. Deadline for nominations is Feb. 5.

Leukemia swim

Help fight leukemia and swim for fitness at the same time at the Leukemia Super Swim Sunday, Jan. 17 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at all Virginia Beach city pools.

Prizes and T-shirts will be awarded for your fundraising efforts. The event is open to all ages. Children under 9 must be accompanied in the pool by someone 15 or older.

For more information call, 474-8492, TDD 471-5839.

Beach bash

Pretend it's a sizzling summer day at the Kempsville pool on Sunday, Jan. 10 from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

The event will feature beach music, games, prizes and the Red Dog Fun Float. Members of all ages are welcome to attend. Children under 9 must be accompanied in the pool by someone 15 or older. The cost is \$1 per person.

For more information call, 474-8492, TDD 471-5839.

Used book sale

The Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library will hold its semi-annual used book sale from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 3 at the Virginia Beach Pavilion.

Books available will cover all subjects and prices are very low, \$1 for hardback books; 50 cents for paperback books. Admission is free and there is no limit to the number of books that can be purchased.

For more information call, 427-4321.

Volunteers needed

The Crisis Line, a 24-hour telephone, suicide prevention/crisis intervention service, is offering a training course for those interested in volunteering with their program.

The Crisis Line volunteer staff is comprised of residents from all areas of South Hampton Roads, including Western Tidewater. There are no educational qualifications to be met, all it takes is a desire to help those who are experiencing a crisis in their lives.

The training is free. The next course will begin Jan. 19, two evenings a week for eight weeks. There is a critical need for daytime and overnight volunteers. Applicants must attend an orientation. Call by Jan. 13 for more information, 622-1309.

Admirals night

The Tidewater Literacy Council, a non-profit organization that provides free tutoring to non-readers in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake and Virginia Beach, is hosting its seventh annual "Admirals Night For Literacy" Tuesday, Jan. 12 from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

It will be held at Spaghetti Warehouse, 1900 Monticello Ave. in Norfolk. The Hampton Roads Admirals will be on hand to personally meet and greet fans, sign autographs, pose for pictures and raffle off prizes all in the name of literacy.

Spaghetti Warehouse will donate a portion of the evening sales to the Tidewater Literacy Council.

Tour goes whale of a time



PLAY TIME. This juvenile humpback whale, estimated to be 1-3 years old, breaches near the shore off Virginia Beach.

By Margaret Windley
Correspondent

The view was noteworthy last Sunday for visitors on the Virginia Marine Science Museum Foundation's Holiday Wildlife Tour.

While their craft maneuvered in choppy waters off Virginia Beach, they watched the leaping, or breaching, of a humpback whale and the frolicking of dolphins.

Volunteer Brett Kwedar, who has been going out on the tours for a couple of years, estimated that the whale was a juvenile between 1 and 3 years old.

"The parents have gone to mate down in the warmer waters of the Caribbean," he said. "They will pick them up when they return in the spring."

He added that it was also a little late in the season to see the dolphins. "You don't usually see dolphins after the end of October," he said. "It's pretty odd that we saw those."

Inside the "Bobbie Lee," one of four boats used for the tours, Jenna Craig, a

visitor from out of state staying with relatives, was relaxing over refreshments.

A top track runner at home at Sand- wich High School in Illinois, she was enjoying her first time seeing the Atlantic Ocean, dolphins and whales outside of textbooks.

"It's a lot different from at home," she said. "It's a pretty new experience."

Outside on the ship's bow, Pam Young, a volunteer with a nautical background, was able to give lessons on the proper way to stand while a ship tossed in choppy waters.

"Keep your feet apart and let your hips go where they want to," she smiled. "It's easier to stand in the middle."

She explained that the dolphins which had recently surfaced were classed as Small Toothed Whales and were among the smallest of that family.

"The Harbor Porpoise is the only type

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Continued prosperity for city marks officials' resolves

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

As we head into the final year of this century, community leaders rank economic prosperity high on their wish list for 1999.

The school system needs money to renovate aging buildings, farmers need a more favorable international economy, and even volunteers wish for more money to donate to their favorite causes.

Safety and a general climate of good-will are also high priorities, according to Mayor Meyera Oberndorf. The mayor pointed to the city's recent accomplishments and hope it will continue along the same path of economic growth and

community spirit.

"Obviously, I want first of all for the people in this city to continue to be safe," Oberndorf said. "Virginia Beach is ranked the safest city of its size (population between 250,000 and 750,000), and we've received this designation from the FBI for the last 10 years."

"I would also like to see the city continue to flourish, as far as economic development," she added. One of the shining examples in 1998 was Geico's decision to locate its regional offices here and the transfer of "156 FA-18s" to NAS Oceana.

"That was five years of hard work" she said about the Navy moving the planes

and personnel to Virginia Beach.

Pride and community involvement are also essential ingredients for a successful 1999, Oberndorf said. "I hope that we can keep our sense of community. We are the largest city in the state, but I hope that we continue to care about others as if it were a smaller city."

"The other thing we have been blessed with," she continued, "is a wonderful corps of more than 10,000 volunteers. I'd like to see that continue to grow."

Veteran city councilman Louis Jones pointed to a need to fund the renovation of aging schools and a desire to continue the "stable, compatible working relationship that currently exists among council

members.

"My wish would be that we will be able to resolve the issue of renovation and modernization costs for the 17 schools," he said. City officials have allocated budgeted \$75 million of the \$132 million needed to update 17 of the city's oldest schools. Voters rejected a bond referendum in November that would have provided the remaining \$57 million.

"But we'll come up with a way to do it," Jones added. "It'll just take a little longer this way."

City agriculture director Louis Cul-lipher, who is always mindful of the

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Shopping trip helps in hard time

By Margaret Windley
Correspondent

Rosalee Dawson has always looked out for everybody else. A grandmother who should be rocking quietly on her porch, Dawson instead is struggling.

She is raising five grandchildren, caring for a husband suffering from bone cancer and prostate cancer, and trying to save her home — all at the same time.

If she can keep the home by coming up with the mortgage, plus costs such as lawyer's fees, she will be able to go to New York shortly and pick up two more grandchildren who have been abused in their foster homes.

But will she be able to keep the home? At her last court date, she found that she needed more money than expected to keep the home.

After already raising approximately \$11,000 by selling nearly everything she



HOLIDAY HELP. Rosalee Dawson with some of her grandchildren shopping with Virginia Beach Police Sgt. Patrick Gough and Police Chaplain Sherry Smith. They were teamed for the Shop with a Cop program.

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Make 'em, break 'em

It's a new year! What better time to take a fresh look at life, turn over a new leaf and make a change for the better? In short, it's that time of year again when folks fall all over themselves trying to make New Year's resolutions — and hope that 1998 will actually be the year they don't break the "rules" in record time.

Let's take a look at some typical resolutions and usual results:

■ **Getting a handle on the old spare tire.** Many people couldn't suffer by losing 10 to 20 pounds. And certainly, with all the Christmas egg nog and turkey celebrations completed, they are confident in the battle of the bulge.

■ **Reality check, one month later:** Instead of losing that 10 pounds, many have, in fact, gained five more. What did it? Surely not all that junk food consumed during the Super Bowl or that Christmas candy left over from the holidays (they just couldn't let it go to waste — or make that *wait*), and definitely not that one-pound Whitman's Sampler specially packaged for Valentine's Day (which the stores started touting on Dec. 26). And don't even mention all the chips and dip downed at the New Year's Eve party!

■ **Quitting smoking.** Unless folks live in a cave, they know that smoking isn't exactly the best thing for their health. Cigarette manufacturers don't put those Surgeon General's Warnings on the packages for nothing. So smokers promise themselves that at the stroke of midnight, no more puffing. They break the cigarettes that they have left. They stock up on celery and carrot sticks to munch. They even invest in a rubber band to snap each time they get the urge to light up.

■ **Reality check, one week later:** "Why," many will ask themselves, "did I ever make that stupid resolution in the first place?" They got sick of the carrots and celery sticks the first day. By 2 p.m. on New Year's Day, they were frantically searching the garbage can for one of those broken cigarettes tossed out the night before. And the rubber band? It was shot across the room the next day after taking the vow to break the habit.

"Who needs a red, raw wrist to quit smoking?" they said lighting up. "Some moron must have invented that ideal!"

■ **Bringing spending in check.** Face it: unless one's name is Scrooge, most people tend to piddle away money and end up scratching their heads wondering, "Gee, where did it all go? Hmm...a soda here, a lunch out there, and a few new CDs can't add up to all that much, can it?"

Think again.

So having remembered the last year they vowed to put a dollar into a jar each day toward a new stereo (but pitifully ended up with only \$12), they put themselves on a strict budget. Brown bag lunches. No extra frills like magazines or packs of gum picked up at the corner convenience store on a whim. No milkshakes from the fast food drive-thru, even though they're only 99 cents. Save...save...save.

■ **Reality check, one day later:** Darn! That little notepad to record all expenditures has disappeared. And lunch? Well, most folks really intended to take it to work, but there wasn't time to make one on the way out the door that morning. In a brainstorming session, some folks will vow to make lunch the evening before. Of course, that idea is soon forgotten, too.

Truthfully, most people would be better off resolving not to make resolutions at all. Then perhaps it will be a happier New Year for all. Whatever the decision in 1998, good luck with it! — V.E.H.

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Republicans set sights on next governor

By Scott Bates

Jim Gilmore has been governor for less than a year, and already his underdogs are plotting how to get the keys to the Governor's Mansion. Virginia is the last state in the union to limit governors to one term in office. One result is that jockeying for the next race for governor begins almost as soon as the new governor takes his hand off the Bible at the inauguration.

As far as Republicans are concerned, the race is on for the year 2001. Former governor George Allen seriously considered trying to get back into the Governor's Mansion. Republicans were willing to indulge the thoughts, after all Allen led them to sweeping victories in the 1990s.

Republican activists were willing to let Allen think over 2001, but not for too long. Pressure from the camps of Attorney General Mark Earley and Lt. Gov. John Hager caused Allen to decide on 2001 in 1998.

Allen has opted to run for the U.S. Senate in 2000, leaving the field clear for Earley and Hager to run for governor. The two waited about two seconds after Allen's announcement and began running for office.

Mark Earley has formed a political action committee called "Campaign for Virginia's Future." Who can argue with a name like that?

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Earley's PAC will feed campaign cash to Republican candidates in next year's legislative election.

The funds will go to support "pro-family, pro-business, conservative principles." The effect will be to build good will for the "Earley for Governor" campaign with Republican legislators and activists.

Earley has also hired a Richmond political consultant named Anne Kincaid to direct and manage the PAC. Kincaid is a former lobbyist for a group that petitioned the legislature to abolish a woman's right to an abortion even in cases of rape or incest.

Kincaid has extensive ties with Pat Robertson's political organization, The Christian Coalition. Earley is counting on the support of these groups in the Republican primary for governor.

Lt. Gov. Hager has hired the political pro who handled Ellen Sauerbrey's campaign for governor in Maryland as his Chief of Staff. Jim Dorman will also handle media relations for the L. G. Hager has also hired political consultant Dick Leggett, who helped run Gov. Gilmore's successful race in 1997.

Early has the early lead with the right wing of the Republican party.

His anti-choice positions have endeared him to the wing of the party that believes women should carry to term a pregnancy caused by rape or incest. Earley is also from Chesapeake, the homebase of Pat Robertson and his political forces.

Hager is a former tobacco company executive, with extensive ties to the corporate community. Hager is less well known with the right wing, but is a comfortable fit for corporate Virginia. As Lt. Governor, Hager will have plenty of time to travel the state and make himself well known to the press and Republican activists.

Hager has a compelling personal story. He was a successful corporate executive, stricken with a crippling disease at a young age. Hager battled back, and continued his rise to prominence in spite of his disability.

Hager is the first Lt. Governor in Virginia history to campaign and govern from a wheelchair. His story will no doubt inspire Republican activists and others in his quest for the Governor's Mansion.

It is apparently not too early for Earley and Hager to be running for governor. I'll let you know how it's going — in about two more years.

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One size fits all with community involvement

By Richard W. Riley

U.S. Secretary of Education

From Boston to the Mississippi Delta to Seattle, people across America are focused on education like never before. If you aren't engaging in dinner table conversation yourself about issues affecting students and schools, you have surely seen educational headlines during the recent elections or in your daily news.

But is there really one approach to better education that works in every town in America? Yes — increasing parent and community involvement.

Maybe you live in or know of a community where diverse groups are coming together to look after the well-being of students, a place where people take the extra time and energy to pull together because they believe the whole community has a stake in education.

The key to building partnerships within a community to improve education is to bring together those who have something to provide, and show them how much they have to receive as well.

Opportunities to build creative partnerships are as diverse as America itself.

Imagine a business woman inviting students in to her work to learn about careers in a hands-on way, or a grandparent tutoring a young child who needs help to read, or a college student mentoring a middle-schooler in algebra so he could be ready to take college prep courses in high school.

Everyone is learning. And think of the related benefits of bringing a community together with a common purpose.

So why, then, isn't every community building these partnerships? Well, if you've tried working with others to do something in your area that hasn't been done before, you know the answer is often resources, resources, resources. Well, what if there were funds and

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support available for such partnerships?

There are. An unprecedented amount of support is now available — almost \$600 million. There are many more opportunities from the U.S. Department of Education and through the Partnership for Family Involvement to help strengthen or form partnerships where groups are working together to support better education.

For example, through a new program called GEAR UP, community organizations, businesses, non-profits and parents associations can partner with colleges, universities and low-income middle and high schools to give students the academics, guidance and hope needed consistently and early-on so all students know that they, too, will be able to go on to college.

Colleges and K-12 schools are realizing the value of partnership. Visit many campuses and you will find America Reads tutors, college students who earn federal work-study money by tutoring elementary students in reading.

Starting next fall, you will see

them tutoring students in math from elementary school through ninth grade through America Counts.

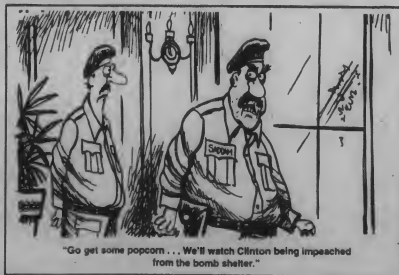
Similarly, there will be new resources available for schools that partner with community organizations, parents, teachers, and family literacy service providers to support literacy in early childhood and the early grades through the Reading Excellence Act.

In addition, community organizations and schools, working together, can apply for funds to provide students with a safe and enriching place to be during after-school hours through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program. Nearly 300 communities have received grants so far.

Now is the time to learn about these and other opportunities, because grant competitions will be under way.

Call 1-800-USA-LEARN or visit www.ed.gov for more information on how you can receive support and publications for building partnerships to improve your schools and increase parental and community involvement in education.

I encourage caring people of all ages to form and strengthen partnerships that lift up our students, parents, teachers and schools.



Clinton fooled no one with bombing raid

In just a matter of hours before the House of Representatives was scheduled to start impeachment hearings, Bill Clinton acted as if Saddam Hussein was on the outskirts of Washington and declared war against Iraq.

Many Americans, including House Judiciary Chairman Henry Hyde, believe he did it to delay the hearings. Hyde called it "incredible." The hearings were delayed for one day but were resumed the following day, eventually ending with the impeachment of Bill Clinton on charges that he lied about an illicit affair and obstructed efforts to uncover it, making him the second president in the history of America to be impeached.

Then just hours after his impeachment he abruptly stopped the war with little results except for destroying some empty buildings. Saddam Hussein is alive and well. Only innocent men, women and little children were killed or injured.

We will never know about our own casualties. The U.S. policy now seems to be that "we will work with those aiming to topple Saddam Hussein." That's a joke; there is no one in Iraq who is "aiming to topple Hussein."

I thought that was the reason for all the bombing which cost a hell of a lot more than Ken Starr's investigation. The great warrior pulled off the war with Iraq as a diversionary tactic, but he could not stop the impeachment.

It really doesn't matter if Clinton is punished or not by the Senate. His punishment will be that little children will read about his impeachment. He has a big "T" stamped between his shiny eyes, that is enough for me.

He now says, "We must stop the politics of personal destruction. We must get rid of the poisonous venom of excessive partisanship, obsessive animosity and uncontrolled anger. That is not what America deserves."

Right on Bill! But none of this would have happened if you had not played cigar games with a 22-year-old intern half your age in the Oval Office and lied about it.

In a speech in the Rose Garden at the White House shortly after the impeachment Al Gore introduced Clinton and said, "This is the saddest day I have seen in our nation's capital (the house vote). It is a great disservice to a man who, I believe, will be regarded in our history books as one of our greatest presidents."

It's scary, folks, but that could be your next president. Welcome to the real world.

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Beach web sites make finding answers easy

Just when you were getting used to having that second cup of coffee, curling up in your favorite chair and reading that long-awaited book...here it is again Monday morning.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

Get the kids off to school (with their homework completed)...getting to work (on time)...and asking for that promotion...cleaning up the yard (before your neighbors draw up a petition to make you move)...planning the weekends for your relatives (they never seemed to visit so much until you moved to "Virginia Beach")...and of course we cannot forget our New Year's promise to be more community-minded and help out those less fortunate than ourselves.

How can one human being possibly do all this within an 18-hour day. We do have to get some beauty sleep you know. Well, I am here to tell you that it can be done, with a little help from the city of Virginia Beach.

Over the past two years, city staff has been working diligently to create an Internet Site that will hopefully assist you in accomplishing all these daily routine responsibilities. Instead of getting those six hours of beauty sleep, you can spend one hour at night going to the web site at www.virginia-beach.va.us and find answers to your questions without having to wait until City Hall opens up on Monday.

To solve your first dilemma, visit the new Virginia Beach School web site at www.vbcsd.k12.va.us which gives you loads of information, some of which is specific on bus and lunch schedules, as well as curriculum in-

formation for each age group.

Your second dilemma "which way do I go, which way do I go?" Not to worry, the Public Works Highway Divisions has you covered with their Detour and Road Closing page at www.virginia-beach.va.us/services/pwdetours.htm.

OK, now that you know you can take that detour to get to work on time, how about impressing the boss by downloading the current Bids and RFP's at www.virginia-beach.va.us/business/bids. OK, you're moving right along here...three down, three to go...

Dilemma 4, getting that yard debris trailer to help with the limbs and trees from Hurricane Bonnie, once again you find the Public Works, Waste Management Division is on top of things at www.virginia-beach.va.us/services/waste/index.htm.

Dilemma 5. What to do with Aunt Jane and Uncle Louie when they arrive bright and early on Saturday morning — a picnic at the park? take a look at the Parks and Recreation site at www.virginia-beach.va.us/services/parks/welcome.htm. Maybe some entertainment at the 24th or 17th Street Stage? click on the Official Virginia Beach tourism web site at www.vbfun.com.

OK — you now have your family and relatives taken care of. But what about that commitment you made to be more involved in the community? You find what you are looking for at www.virginia-beach.va.us/business/jobs.htm, a list of volunteer opportunities and www.virginia-beach.va.us/community, a varied list of civic leagues, boards and commissions and ways to get involved through city departments such as Social Services, Mental Health and the Police Department.

You look at the clock and smile...all your weekly problems have been solved and you still have time to curl up and read that long-awaited book. Now how is that for a guaranteed good night's sleep.

Pam Ford, microsystems analyst for the Virginia Beach Department of Public Information, contributed to this column.

Boardwalk Art Show opens design contest

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is the organizer of the Boardwalk Art Show, one of the oldest and best outdoor fine art shows on the Eastern Seaboard. The 1999 Boardwalk Art Show will be held June 17-20 along one mile of the Virginia Beach boardwalk.

In previous years, participating artists have created the poster and T-shirt design. Sharon Banks, festival coordinator, said that the design contest will be open to the general public to reach broader artistic talents and include the Hampton Roads community. T

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is offering a \$600 prize for the design to adorn the posters and T-shirts for the 44th annual show.

The competition is open to anyone who wishes to enter. The winning entry will also become the cover image for the official program/guide distributed at the show. The prize check will be awarded

during the Boardwalk Art Show.

Artwork should reflect the essence of the Boardwalk art show — its location, the season, the experience, the mood. The deadline for receipt of poster-shirt art entries is Monday.

For more information on submitting a design, contact Sharon Banks at 425-0000. Selection and notification of the winner will be made by Jan. 29.

The Boardwalk Art Show supports the exhibitions and educational programs of the Contemporary Art of Virginia located at 2200 Parks Avenue in Virginia Beach.

The show has been on Sunshine Artist Magazine's Top 200 list for six consecutive years and the Southeast Tourism Society's Top 10 events for the month of June of five years in a row.

With approximately 350,000 visitors during the four days of the show, it is considered one of the best attended events in Virginia.



Fun day on the Bay

Biking and walking participants full of the holiday spirit donated nearly 3,400 pounds of food at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel's Bike/Walk Fund Day on the Bay food drive. Equivalent to 2,400 meals, the collection benefited many of the area's less fortunate residents. The event attracted 17,000 bikers and walkers who brought non-perishable or canned good items to support Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia.

Up close and personal

Peggy Sijswerda: World traveler

By Cathy Novak

Correspondent

Many people dream of leaving their ho-hum everyday lives and going on a great adventure. Very few actually do. Even less people do it with children in tow.

Peggy Sijswerda and her family did. Sijswerda and husband, Peter, and sons, Scott, 12, Jasper, 8, and Ross, 2, moved to Europe last year.

Peggy and Peter, better known as the founders and co-publishers of *Tidewater Parent*, had sold their successful publication to Landmark Corporation in 1997 after editing and publishing it for seven years.

"I'd always had the dream to go to Europe and live there with my family," she said.

No stranger to foreign lands, Peggy had lived in Europe after meeting Peter in Holland and falling in love with him more than 15 years ago. But she "always had a dream to live there with children."

An avid Europhile, she knew that traveling on vacation was very different than living there.

A former teacher, she originally thought that when she and her family moved to Holland she might get a job teaching at the Department of Defense Schools.

Without jobs, she and Peter put their house in Sandbridge on the market and moved to Holland.

Unlike fairytales, their dream move had its ups and downs.

There were cutbacks in the Department of Defense. And the business climate was much tougher in Holland than expected.

"The bottom line was, Peter didn't like it," said Peggy. "It's harder to do business there than in America. Harder to get your foot in the door."

On the verge of getting a magazine published for the international community, she realized that Peter couldn't make the commitment to the publication because he wasn't happy.

"His happiness was more important than my dream to live in Europe," she said.

Not a couple to look on the negative side of things, they decided to make the best of it.

"We said, 'we're all the way over here, we've got the money, let's take a big trip,'" said Peggy.

They left Holland at the end of February 1997, driving their Suburban and pulling a caravan, headed for Switzerland.

Taking a camping trip had its hidden costs. What most Americans don't understand is it costs a lot more to buy gas in Europe, about four times the cost, said Peggy. And some European toll roads "would knock your socks off," said Sijswerda. In Italy, one road charged \$60 in tolls.

"It really makes you appreciate what you have in America," she said. America has cheap gas. But Europe does have excellent mass transit.

On the plus side was the wonderful campgrounds they found throughout Europe. "It's a real affordable way to see Europe," she said. "We saw some crummy campgrounds, too. The trick was to find the good ones."

One surprise for the family was discovering that the travel trailer they bought to pull behind their vehicle was the same type that the gypsies use.

"We'd be cruising down the road and these gypsies would wave to us. They assumed we were one of them," she said.

Gypsies are not third world people, she explained.

"We met some. They're well dressed, not what you would envision gypsies to be."

To keep in touch with family and friends during their travels, the Sijswerdas had a website, maintained by Peggy's brother.

"It worked out pretty well," she said, "but there's no ending."

The family mostly traveled along the coastlines of the countries they visited.

Peggy, a seasoned traveler, had never been to Greece.

"I fell in love with Greece. It's really different than the rest of Europe. Greece is very backward in terms of a modern industrial country," she said. "There's still a lot of emphasis on rural living and living a simple life."

"Greece is a country of big, strong mountains and beaches where there are no people for miles," she said.

"I feasted on olives and ate a lot of seafood," she said.

They found the east coast of Italy was more welcoming than the west. Venice and Verona were not as hectic and busy as the west coast.

When they coasted into Spain, they picked up an au pair or nanny. The young woman from southern California fit right into their family.

"Leah could have been my daughter," said Peggy.

Leah traveled with them for five weeks through Spain and Portugal. They paid her camping fees, fed her and gave her a small stipend. In return, Leah watched the children.

"It was just great. Peter and I finally felt like we were on vacation," said Peggy. One of her fondest memories of the Basque region was the tapas.

"St. Sebastian was the best place for tapas. They were right out on the bar, how could I resist?" she asked.

She and Peter feasted on the Spanish appetizers.

The practical realities of traveling with children meant that, until the summer, she homeschooled them. Traveling was certainly an education for the children.



"We saw a lot of great things," she said, "such as the Leaning Tower of Pisa. The kids soaked it all in."

The boys also kept journals of their travels. Their writing and drawings described features that most caught their attention during their trip.

Serendipity was with the Sijswerdas in many ways.

When they had left the United States, their house in Virginia Beach had been under contract. But its sale fell through.

"Because the house was vacant and I was ready to stabilize, we decided to move back," said Sijswerda. "Virginia Beach is a comfortable place. We just left here because we wanted to try new things."

Now they own a motor home. "So maybe that will satisfy our craving for adventure," she said.

For now, just getting back into a daily routine has been a challenge for the world travelers.

"*Tidewater Parent* was a big part of my life," said Sijswerda. "It's a little strange to be back and not have it in my life."

Because of a five-year noncompetition agreement signed with Landmark, the Sijswerdas cannot publish a magazine in the area until 2002.

"You make a change in your life and then you have your change and then, maybe, you want to go back and do the same thing you did before," she said. "It was a really good business."

But while she allows that it's possible that down the road they'll get back into publishing, Peggy and Peter have other projects looming.

The beginning of April will see the opening of the area's first Family Expo at the Virginia Beach Pavilion.

"It's a consumer show. A festival of fun and information for families so parents can learn about family-related products and services while their kids enjoy hands-on activities," she explained.

Exhibitors will include retailers, manufacturers, schools, camps, home entrepreneurs and service providers, all with families in mind, she said.

And if that's not enough, she's also working on a book, "Beyond the Beach," about fun activities in the Tidewater area.

Was this trip to Europe her last? Don't bet on it.

"I still have a little dream that when the kids are all grown, when we have time and money, we'll go back," she said wistfully.

Name: Peggy Sijswerda.

What brought you to this area: The stork dropped me off at DePaul Hospital.

Hometown: Virginia Beach.

Age: 41.

Nickname: As a joke, a handful of friends called me Piggy when I was growing up.

Occupation: Freelance writer and co-promoter of Family Expo, a consumer show for families to be held April 3 and 4 at the Virginia Beach Pavilion. Also past owner of *Tidewater Parent*.

Marital Status: I've been married to Peter for 13 years. He's my best friend and still the charming, romantic fellow I fell in love with.

Children: Scott, 12, plays soccer and loves Nintendo. Jasper, 9, loves soccer and playing with friends. Ross, 3, is learning his ABCs and 123s.

Favorite movies: I'm a romantic by nature, so "Sound of Music" and "Camelot" are old favorites. My foreign favorites are two French flicks: "Jean de Florette" and "Manon of the Spring."

Magazines I read regularly: *Southern Living*, *Travel* and *Leisure*, and I still read *Tidewater Parent*.

Favorite authors: Hemingway and Fitzgerald are old favorites. Now I'm reading "The Book of Ruth."

Favorite night out on the town: I'd begin with a sunset picnic on the beach with Peter, crusty bread, Dutch cheese, avocados, olives and a cold bottle of Chardonnay, then meet friends for an evening olive music at some funky bar.

Favorite restaurant: Steinhilber's.

Favorite meal and beverage: I love shellfish: steamed crabs, oysters (preferably raw), shrimp, even crawfish. My favorite beverage is wine, but in the summer a cold beer really hits the spot.

What most people don't know about me: I'm a great cook.

Best thing about myself: I've learned to live life in the present and I try to enjoy each day from beginning to end.

Worst habit: Procrastinating. Or being indecisive. Or both.

Pets: Lucky is my energetic, one-year-old yellow lab. We walk each morning, about a mile, a great way to start the day.

Hobbies: Hiking, cooking, travel, reading.

Ideal vacation: What can I say? I'm a Euro-maniac: the pristine beaches of Greece, the countryside in France, the mountains of Switzerland, the nightlife of Amsterdam.

Pet peeves: People who drive slowly in the left lane. I call them LLI, Left Lane Idiots.

First job: I worked in Indian Cove Campground in Virginia Beach for a number of summers.

Worst job: I was a telephone solicitor and sold tickets to the then *Tidewater Tides*.

Favorite sports teams: My children's soccer teams.

Favorite musicians: Neil Young, Grateful Dead, Jimmy Buffett, plus jazz and classical.

Most embarrassing moment: I was on a date once and ran into a friend and couldn't remember my date's name!

How I would like to be remembered: I have some great ideas for writing books and I hope I can touch some lives through my writing.

If I received \$1 million: I'd donate a good portion to the fight against child abuse. It's the root of so many problems. I'd take my family on a round-the-world adventure. And I'd save some for retirement.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I'd tell viewers to turn off the television and go for a walk, sniff the fresh air and enjoy the sights and sounds of the real world.

Grant lets Regent expand its campus psychological center

Regent University's School of Counseling and Human Services recently received a \$50,000 grant from the Living Stone Foundation based in Portola Valley, Calif. The grant will be used to expand the Psychological Services Center located on the Regent campus.

The Psychological Services Center provides free professional counseling to the Regent student community and their families. Counseling is available for other individuals, couples, families, groups, adolescents and children with fees starting at \$20 per session.

Vocational assessment, psychological and intellectual testing and enrichment for the recently married are also provided.

The center complies with ethical standards for the counseling profession and services are kept in confidence. Operating hours are 8:30 to 5 p.m.

Future services will be extended to the local military population, to Christian schools in the area, and

to select non-violent women felons in a state correctional facility.

"Our dream is an urban clinic which provides services to the underserved—a one-stop counseling center," said Rosemarie Scotti Hughes, dean of the School of Counseling.

"This clinic would be a pilot project. In addition to traditional counseling and psychological testing services, it would have a prevention component aimed at the urban setting."

The Living Stones Foundation will donate an additional \$50,000 in two increments based on the center's fulfillment of mutually established goals.

The Psychological Services Center is the training clinic for the Doctor of Psychology program at Regent University. The doctoral students are supervised by the Director of Clinical Training, Dr. John Spencer, Dr. Dennis Morgan, the manager of the center and other supervising faculty and staff.

Cat show expected to attract hundreds of feline fanatics

Fancy felines from around the country will have the opportunity to earn "Top Cat" status at the eighth annual Cat Fanciers Association cat show sponsored by Pawprints In The Sand.

In addition, one local star, "Skittles," the cat on wheels, will be in attendance. The cat show will be held Jan. 16-17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Chesapeake.

More than 200 purebred cats are expected to compete in this year's show. Many beautiful breeds and household pets are on the list of competitors including Maine Coons and Orientals, as well as some of the better known purebreds, from Siamese to Persian.

"Skittles," owned by Mewer Power, suffered deep nerve damage in an accident at four weeks of age, making it difficult for him to walk. He now has new wheels, which means he is getting around just like his counterparts. Mewer Power is a local, non-profit organization dedicated to the non-lethal management of feral cats.

The CFA cat show will be open to the public and will provide an entertaining day for spectators. In

addition to judging activities, which will take place throughout the show, spectators will have the opportunity to see cats "up close and in the fur" while they're waiting to compete.

Owners are happy to answer questions about their cats and many of them will have kittens for sale. A local veterinarian will be available to answer any health-related questions you may have. Vendors will be selling cat-related wares and homeless animals will be awaiting adoption.

Tickets will be available at the gate. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for seniors and children under 12. Children under 5 get in free. Bring a can of cat food for a homeless kitty and receive 50 cents off one adult admission.

Pawprints In The Sand is a member of The Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA). CFA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the welfare of cats. CFA was founded in 1906 and is the world's largest registry of pedigreed cats with affiliated clubs producing more than 325 shows a year.

For more information on the show call, 456-1768.

Anniversary set

The Virginia Beach Interdenominational Choir will celebrate its 16th anniversary Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m.

The service will conclude on Saturday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Jan. 10 at 4 p.m.

All services will be held at Greater St. Andrew's A.M.E. Church, 3008 MacDonald Road in the Queen City section of Virginia Beach.

For additional information call Ruby Johnson, 440-8109.

Scholarship is offered by PTA

Kempsville Meadows Elementary PTA is offering two scholarships, one based on merit and the other on need and merit, available this year to graduating seniors of Virginia Beach public high schools or vocational technical centers.

Eligibility includes having been a Kempsville Meadows student for two years.

Applications are available at Guidance Counselor offices of Virginia Beach public high schools and the main office of Kempsville Meadows Elementary School.

The application deadline is March 5.



STUDENTS HONORED. The top seniors at Virginia Beach's high schools were honored by the Optimist Club of Virginia Beach during the club's annual awards breakfast.

Optimists salute top seniors

The Optimist Club of Virginia Beach invited 25 students recently from the Virginia Beach high schools to attend their 13th annual Outstanding High School Seniors Award Breakfast.

These students, along with their parents and counselors, were in attendance at the Galilee Episcopal Church.

One girl and one boy (chosen by their counselors) submitted their credentials to a panel of judges consisting of Dr. Franklin Smith, former superintendent of Washington, D.C. schools, state Sen. Kenneth W. Stolle and Barbara Hensley, member of Virginia Beach City Council.

The judges selected the two outstanding students (one girl, one boy) based on character, community service, extracurricular activities, citizenship and scholastic achievement.

Mayor Meyera E. Oberdorf welcomed the group and issued the Mayor's Youth Appreciation Week Proclamation.

Dr. Timothy R. Jenney, superintendent of Virginia Beach Public

Schools, was the speaker and gave credit to the students for their accomplishments.

He also presented framed Youth Appreciation Week certificates to the top girl and boy seniors from the Virginia Beach high schools.

The top girl student was Sarah Rose Marguiles of Kempsville High School and the top boy student was Sri Krishna Mukkamala from Princess Anne High School. They were presented Optimist Club clocks made by president Lynn Christian.

The judges were introduced. Then Ben Krause explained the Outstanding Seniors Trip to the General Assembly in Richmond that will take place in January. Those present received the Optimist Club creed.

Members of the Optimist Club prepared the breakfast, assisted by Arthur Mann of the Men's Prayer Group of the Galilee Episcopal Church. More than 150 people attended the breakfast.

Seniors who were named the outstanding senior scholars from Virginia Beach were:

■ Bayside High School - Mar-

garet Davis and Aaron Sanford.

■ Cape Henry Collegiate - Elizabeth Costigan and William Birkhead.

■ Catholic High School - Imee Arcibal and Dario Kasarac.

■ Cox High School - Lindsey Michel Thomas and Joseph Monahan.

■ First Colonial High School - Melanie Ort and Leon Coleman.

■ Green Run High School - Leslie Rueff and Brian Kretzschmar.

■ Kellam High School - Iris Due Cabatit and Edward Jordan Sellers.

■ Kempsville High School - Sara Rose Marguiles and Scott Michael Sachs.

■ Ocean Lakes High School - Ashley Morris and Rodney Asistin.

■ Princess Anne High School - Megan Alley and Mary Claypool (tied) and Sri Krishna Mukkamala.

■ Salem High School - Amy Ramirez Cudal and Jared Michael Tracy.

■ Tallwood High School - Jackie Fok and Roland Escobar.



TRACKERS. Leslie Geiger, left, parent of a third grade student in Sandy Williams' class, explains the communication process that will be used between Kevin Uliassi and the ground crew. Listening to the explanation, from left, are Shemuel Parker, Danielle Geiger, Stephen Beng and Abbi Musselman.

Letter will soar with balloonist

By Jackie Matthews
Special to the Sun

Kevin Uliassi will attempt to circle the globe in a hot air balloon. Being successful will mark a first for a hot air flight, and a special letter that he carries. The event is scheduled to launch before February.

This time period was chosen because the winds will be more favorable for a transglobal flight. When aloft, the J. Renee, Uliassi's balloon, weighs 12,500 pounds. To keep from falling, helium is heated by hot air flowing upward from the

propane-fed burner at the bottom of the balloon.

The flight will range between 24,000 and 28,000 feet at an average speed of 80 to 100 mph. The four main threats to Uliassi's safety are fatigue, cold, dehydration and lack of oxygen. Safety precautions have been taken by monitoring Uliassi. This will keep his ground crew aware of his condition at all times.

The project has been sponsored by many organizations, to promote all types of communication equipment. There will be a unique piece

of mail carried in the gondola along with the communication equipment.

S. Williams' third grade class at Malibu Elementary plans to track the entire voyage. The students wrote Uliassi a letter wishing him well and expressing their concerns. The letter will be postmarked prior to the trip and postmarked upon his return.

The successful landing of the J. Renee will mark an historical event, not only for Uliassi's balloon voyage, but the mail that he carries.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Two Longwood College students from Virginia Beach — Ruth Compo and Theresa Anne Gregory — have been selected to the 1999 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Compo, a junior social work major, is an SGA senator, treasurer of the Honor Board and of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, secretary of the Residence Hall Association, and advisor to her hall council. She is a graduate of Kellam High School, and her parents are Edward and Edith Compo.

Gregory, a senior majoring in modern languages, is a member of Lambda Iota Tau, a national honor society for literature students; Gyre art and literary magazine; and Earth Team, a volunteer organization sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She is a grad-

uate of Frank W. Cox High School and the daughter of Henry and Anne Gregory.

Ten Virginia Beach area residents were among 412 students to receive diplomas during Averett College's mid-year commencement exercise held Dec. 12 in the Danville college's E. Stuart James Grant Convocation and Athletic Center.

Earning their degrees were Librado Anglero, Deborah Baker, Katherine Buffington, John Eason, Russell Fleeger Jr., Stephanie Judge, Michael Kinahan, Barbara Lewis, Thomas Monahan, Charles Passarelli.

in therapeutic use of the wilderness from Prescott College in Prescott, Ariz.

Emory and Henry College student Jennifer Jones of Virginia Beach has recently been inducted into the Virginia Delta chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, an international honor society in the social sciences.

Membership in Pi Gamma Mu is open to qualified junior, senior or graduate students. The individual must be in the top 35 percent of the class, have a B or better average in at least 20 semester hours of social science classes and such economics, history, political science, sociology or anthropology.

A senior, Jones is the daughter of Calvin Jones and Judith Jones.

Ramsay Devereux, daughter of Lee Devereux of Virginia Beach, received her bachelor of arts degree

MILITARY UPDATE

Peller

Army Pvt. Jason M.A. Peller has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. Peller is the son of Gloria J. Washington of Virginia Beach. He is a 1998 graduate of Kempville High School.

Bromley

Navy Ensign Joseph M. Bromley, son of Robert M. and Mary A. Bromley of Virginia Beach, recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. He is a 1994 graduate of Catholic High School. Bromley is a 1998 graduate of Old Dominion University, Norfolk with a bachelor's of science degree.

Benson

Navy Ensign Stephen N. Benson, son of Navy Capt. and Mrs. S.E. Benson of Virginia Beach, recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. The 1994 graduate of First Colonial High School joined the Navy in June 1998. Benson is a 1998 graduate of Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Okla., with a bachelor of arts degree.



Graham

Air Force Airman 1st Class Ellis M. Graham Jr. has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Graham is the son of Delores T. Rouse of Virginia Beach. He is a 1998 graduate of Princess Anne High School.

Lewis

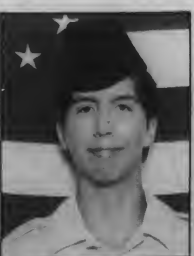
Army Pvt. Amanda S. Lewis graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo. Lewis is the daughter of Cindy A. and Mark P. Siemsen of Virginia Beach. She is a 1998 graduate of Kellam High School.

Naugle

Navy Fireman Thomas W. Naugle, son of Thomas A. Naugle and Jeanette D. Alderson of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1998 graduate of Blacksburg High School of Blacksburg, S.C.

Russell

Navy Seaman Recruit John E. Russell, son of Susan J. Doty of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1998 graduate of South Brunswick High School of Boiling Springs, N.C.



Miller

Air Force Airman Francine M. Miller has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Miller is the daughter of Freddy M. and Frances A. Miller of Virginia Beach. She is a 1997 graduate of Bayside High School.

Hopper

Navy Seaman Recruit Ryan W. Hopper, son of James E. and Diane S. Hopper of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1998 graduate of Green Run High School.

Dayao

Navy Fireman Recruit Lillian V. Dayao, daughter of Bienvenido T. and Herminia V. Dayao of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. She is a 1998 graduate of Green Run High School.



Cyr

Air Force Airman Nathan D. Cyr has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Cyr is the son of Dean A. Cyr and Ann D. Tigner of Virginia Beach. He is a 1998 graduate of Kempville High School.

Butler

Navy Seaman Recruit Kevin J. Butler, son of Kenneth R. and Vicki J. Butler of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1998 graduate of Salem High School.

Garcia

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Genera Garcia, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Alberto B. Garcia of Virginia Beach, recently participated in a large maritime exercise while aboard the guided missile destroyer USS John S. McCain, based in Yokosuka, Japan. He joined the Navy in February 1993.



Baxley

Air Force Airman Daniel L. Baxley has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Daniel is the son of Kenneth R. and Caroline M. Baxley of Virginia Beach. He is a 1997 graduate of Catholic High School.

Mitchell

Marine Maj. David L. Mitchell, son of Richard J. and Della C. Mitchell of Virginia Beach, recently reported for duty with Commander, U.S. Marine Forces Atlantic in Norfolk. He is a 1978 graduate of The Citadel High School.

Pona

Navy Seaman Stephen N. Pona, son of Wanda A. Pona of Virginia Beach, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1998 graduate of Frank W. Cox High School.

Williamson

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Tracie N. Williamson, a 1995 graduate of Green Run High School, recently participated in a community relations project in Romania while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the destroyer USS Stump, homeported in Norfolk. She joined the Navy in May 1996.

Taylor

Army Pvt. Ryan E. Taylor has arrived at Fort Knox, Ky., to complete basic combat training. Taylor is the son of Loren L. Taylor of Virginia Beach.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, January 13, 1999 at 12:00 noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Courthouse, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN NEWS-PAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:
1. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Greenwood Associates, L.L.C. Property is located on the east side of Holland Road, 284 feet south of Saville Garden Way. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Ann H. Whitfield, Barbara S. Hudgins and James C. Bowen. Property is located on Sheffield Drive on Lots 4, 5 & 6, Old Donation Estates, Section One. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS:
3. Application of Berkshire Apartments, L.L.C., for the modification of conditions placed on the application for a rezoning from A-1 to A-2 on July 13, 1981. Property is located on the east side of West Lane, 200-46 feet north of Virginia Beach Boulevard. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:
4. An Ordinance upon Application of W. Keith Woodard, Trustee, Lynnhaven United Methodist Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a parking lot on certain property located on the south side of Little Neck Road at the southern extremity of Harris Road. Said parcel contains 2.67 acres more or less. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Christ Episcopal Church of Virginia Beach, for a Conditional Use Permit for a church (expansion) on the north side of Holland Road, 280 feet more or less east of Buym Farm Road. Said parcel is located at 2520 Holland Road and contains 4.707 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Trion PCS for a Conditional Use Permit for wireless communication antennas on existing monopole on the south side of Dam Neck Road, west of Holland Road. Said parcel is located at 3289 Dam Neck Road and contains 3.9 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Oil Equipment Properties for a Conditional Use Permit for a self-serve car wash with office/equipment building on Lot 41, east half of Lot 42 and the west

half of Lot 40, Bradford Park. Said parcel is located at 4912 Rutherford Road and contains 1.02 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Yossi Amiral for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle sales on Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 25 & 26, the northern 25 feet of Lots 34, 35 & 36 and the northern 25 feet of the eastern three feet of Lot 33, Block 36, Euclid Place. Said parcel is located at 4921 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 17,100 square feet. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Assisted Care Developers, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for an independent and assisted living facility at the southwest intersection of Holland Road and S. Independence Boulevard. Said parcel contains 7.787 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
10. An Ordinance upon Application of Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Princess Anne Road and S. Independence Boulevard. The proposed zoning classification change of Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban employment use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.08 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

11. An Ordinance to amend Sections 1504 and 1514 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the elimination of on-site parking requirements for uses other than hotels and motels in the RT-1 and RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts.

12. An Ordinance to amend Section 1521 of the City Zoning Ordinance, establishing commercial parking lots and garages as conditional uses in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District, eliminating commercial parking lots and garages as principal uses in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District, and allowing off-site parking for uses located in the RT-1 and RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts as a conditional use in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District.

13. An Ordinance to amend Section 1511 of the City Zoning Ordinance eliminating commercial parking garages as a permitted use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District and adding same as a conditional use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District.

14. An Ordinance to amend Sections 236, 901, 1501, 1511 and 1521 of the City Zoning Ordinance, requiring conditional use permits for certain types of passenger vessels in the B-2, B-4, RT-1, RT-2 and RT-3 Zoning Districts and increasing vehicular parking requirements for commercial marinas where certain types of passenger vehicles are moored.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 11/12/98:

15. An Ordinance upon Application of S and R Properties for a Conditional Use Permit for a bingo hall on certain property located on the south side of Cleveland Street beginning at a point 250 feet more or less west of Aragona Boulevard. Said parcel contains 4.81 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

16. Application of Edward O. "Ted" Yoder for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of a portion of Holly Road beginning at the northern boundary of Bay Colony Drive and running in a northwesterly direction a distance of 284.01 feet. Said parcel contains 12.405 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 12/9/98:

17. An Ordinance upon Application of RML Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on certain property located on the south side of South Plaza Trail beginning at a point 150 feet more or less east of Princess Anne Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 10.200 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

18. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet more or less south of South Plaza Trail. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is

for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

19. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for gasoline sales and a car wash in conjunction with a convenience store on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet more or less south of South Plaza Trail. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

20. An Ordinance upon Application of bg Construction Corp., a Virginia corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 & AG-2 Agricultural Districts to Conditional R-10 Residential District with an H-C Historic & Culture Overlay on certain property located at the northeast corner of Holland Road and Princess Anne Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional R-10 is for single-family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 1.33 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

21. An Ordinance upon Application of Terry/Peterson Residential One, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to A-12 Apartment District with a PD-H2 Planned Unit Development District Overlay on certain property located at the eastern extremity of Connie Lane. The proposed zoning classification change to A-12 with a PD-H2 Overlay is for multi-family residential land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 28.24 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

22. An Ordinance upon Application of Dockery Lambert, Jr. & Mildred Lambert for a Conditional Use Permit for a cemetery, columbarium crematory and mausoleum on certain property located on the north side of Indian River Road beginning at a point 1500 feet east of Riddick Lane. Said parcel contains 24.55 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

23. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach for a Conditional Use Permit for a line-of-sight relay device (wireless communication antennae) on property located at the northern extremity of Chantry Drive. Said parcel is located at 704 Chantry Drive and contains 15,000 square feet of a 9.08 acre parcel. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

24. An Ordinance upon Application of Davisville Properties, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District and B-2 Community Business District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District at the southwest intersection of First Colonial Road and Republic Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban medium density residential at densities that are compatible with single-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 11.681 acres more or less. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

REGULAR AGENDA:

25. An Ordinance upon Application of Barry Behnman for a Conditional Use Permit for an expansion of a commercial recreational facility (family billiards) on the east side of Princess Anne Road, south of Parliament Drive. Said parcels located at 5610 Princess Anne Road and containing 9.96 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

All interested parties are invited to attend.
Robert J. Scott
Planning Director
Copies of the proposed ordinances, resolution and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

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Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, January 12, 1999 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:
CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of JJJ Partnership, a Virginia General Partnership, for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional 1-Light Industrial District on certain property located on the north side of Holland Road beginning at a point 1370 feet more or less west of Monet Drive. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional 1-L is for industrial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 1.33 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

2. An Ordinance upon Application of JJJ Partnerships, a Virginia General Partnership, for a Conditional Use Permit for a building contractor's yard on certain property located on the north side of Holland Road beginning at a point 1370 feet more or less west of Monet Drive. Said parcel contains 1.33 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Merchant's General Booth Boulevard, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile repair establishment on certain property located on the east side of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 1120 feet more or less north of Gunn Hall Road. Said parcel contains 1 acre. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Dominion Golf Group for a Conditional Use Permit for an outdoor recreational facility (golf driving range, miniature golf, batting cages & golf pro shop) on the west side of Holland Road, north of Dam Neck Road. Said parcel is located at 3173 Holland Road and contains 14.9 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE

5. An Ordinance upon Application of RH Builders, Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to R-5D Residential Duplex District with a PD-H2 Planned Unit Development District Overlay on certain property located on the north side of Kempville Road beginning at a point 450 feet more or less west of Centerville Turnpike. The proposed zoning classification change to R-5D with a PD-H2 Overlay is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 5,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for business parks and office use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.7 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Little Farms, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a borrow pit on certain property located at the northwest intersection of Lynnhaven Parkway and Monument Drive. Said parcel contains 18.080 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Five FF, L.L.C. for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station on the south side of Kempville Road, 130.23 feet east of Centerville Turnpike. Said parcel is located at 1870 Kempville Road and contains 8.453 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

AMENDMENT:

8. An Ordinance to amend certain provisions of the Subdivision Ordinance pertaining to as-built drawings and defect bonds. Sections to be amended are 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7.

All interested parties are invited to attend.
Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AAB
City Clerk
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PEST REPELLENT. Often during the summer, the wild horses play in the surf to escape biting beach flies.



FEEDING TIME. It is thought that the wild horses of Corolla move north to the Sandbridge area in winter looking for better food sources.

Protecting wild horses a common goal

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where the ocean winds and waves help keep the biting flies away and make the heat more bearable.

In cold weather, however, they wander north, into the maritime forests and grassy fields at False Cape State Park and Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge. No one is sure why they come up here at this time of the year, but Snow suspects that they're driven at least partly by the need to find a new source of food.

"I suspect that grasses down south are eaten," and they are lured to the fresh grazing areas further north," he said. He also noted that these small, hardy animals seem to relish the cold and often "walk facing into the North Wind."

The horses, Snow added, were lured further into the residential communities by well-meaning people who left food out for them. They became a problem when they trampled lawns or strayed into the streets. They were also vulnerable to harassment and there were rumors that some were captured and sold for slaughter.

Several were also killed by cars, and increased residential development has further decreased the amount of grazing land.

"One of the biggest dangers is de-

velopment," Snow said, adding that the wild horse population has decreased drastically in recent years.

"We think that there are only 29 of them now," Snow said. "We're not sure, but we hope that this spring we can get out and take a count."

It's difficult to measure populations of wild animals, but some reports indicate that as recently as 15 years ago there were 200 of the wild horses living from Corolla to southern Virginia Beach.

The animals are only about 12 hands high and Snow refers to them as "dwarf horses" rather than ponies.

"They're in-breeding, and dwarfism has set in," he said, "but although they look like ponies they're actually dwarfed horses."

Despite their dwindling numbers and decreased physical size, the ones that remain are healthy, Snow said.

"The natural grasses keep them up," Snow said, "and their hooves look as if a farrier comes out to trim them every four weeks. I wish the domestic horses did as well."

Their ability to adapt to the wild also makes them wily and sometimes difficult to catch, Snow said.

The horses are generally non-aggressive and some of them don't seem to mind or even notice when people come close to them. Still, they have to be respected as wild animals who resist human control,

he cautioned.

"You can't use any ropes, or any physical contact," Snow said. "You have to herd them slowly, and make use of existing fences or portable fencing. Once they get into the area where the horse trailer is, they seem to jump right into it. I guess it looks like an exit to them."

One stallion, nicknamed "Little Red Man," was captured and taken to safety on a Back Bay farm after his "running mate" was killed by a car at Sandbridge, Snow said.

The horse was later taken back to North Carolina, where he was released into the wild "and I haven't seen him, but others have told me he's doing fine," Snow added.

Another animal, who had suffered a jaw injury, was treated by a local veterinarian, then taken south and released.

Recently, members of the Sandbridge Civic League helped the Snows capture some animals, including a mare in foal that had strayed into the community.

Members of that organization have agreed to call Tidewater Western Riders when they spot the horses. The recently-passed amendment recognizes this group's rights to handle and transport the horses and makes it illegal for other private citizens to come within 50 feet of the horses, or to try to pet, catch or ride them.

Still, Snows sees this amendment as a temporary solution. He's working with Louis Cullipher, director of the city's agriculture department, to develop long-range plans for the horses.

"We want to plant grasses down there (in Corolla) that are native to the area in order to shore up the dwindling supply of food," he said. He also hopes that, eventually, there might be a fence along the beach, similar to the one in Corolla, that will help confine the horses in a safe area.

"I'd also like to do studies to find out what's causing the horses to come up here," Snow said.

"I've seen them at Sandbridge since the 1970s, and there were many more of them then. But they never did get into the residential areas. During the late 1970s and 1980s, they started migrating northward where their safety was at risk."

The horses' origin has been a source of controversy in recent years. Some contend that the animals were descended from horses abandoned when members of the Wash Woods community moved inland earlier this century.

Snow, however, believes that they are descended from horses bred in Barbary and brought to the New World by Spanish explorers because of their endurance, temperament and ability to survive in a sandy, dry environment.

'Shop with a Cop' eases burden of grandmother

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had, including the family trucking firm, filing bankruptcy and going to every source she knew, she was shocked to find that she still owed a lot.

Going into court believing that she was behind by only \$350 on the mortgage, she found that she was considerably further in debt. She left court that day with 10 days to locate an additional \$1,800, including attorney fees.

She does not complain about the lawyer. Thanks to his intervention, she has been able to buy time.

"He made them hold out for a court date," Dawson said last week at the WalMart on Phoenix Drive. "They wanted to take it right away."

She was present at the WalMart because her grandchildren were among the 29 youngsters given a shopping spree by the Virginia Beach Chaplains Association and the Virginia Beach Police Supervisors in their Christmas Shop with a Cop program.

"My Christmas present would be to keep my house," she sighed.

Able to set aside her worries for the morning, Dawson wanted to thank everyone involved with the program.

"It means a lot," she said. "I was not expecting it. This is a blessing."

The Virginia Beach Chaplains Association represents all religious affiliations throughout the city, explained Sgt. Patrick Gough.

"The Chaplains Association as a group know who their most needy families are," he said.

Gough noted that the families were using the spree to buy clothes rather than toys. Although he did not say how much money was available for each child through the shopping spree, he explained that WalMart, with the direct cooperation of manager Tony Stidham, had added several hundred dollars to the pot.

He also thanked the Princess Anne Country Club for its assistance through a Toys for Tots cam-

paign. He also expressed his appreciation to Police Chief Charles Wall for supporting the organization's program.

After shopping, the families were taken back to police headquarters for a party with Christmas gifts and \$50 certificates for food given by Super K-Mart.

"Shop with a Cop is something they came up with through the police ranks several years ago as part of the community policing, getting back to the citizens," he said. "It's particularly for the people who don't have a lot at Christmas or Thanksgiving."

To send donations for this program or for more information, contact Sgt. Patrick Gough, 427-4101.

School names winners in PTA contest

Kempville Meadows Elementary School announced the following winners in the Parent Teachers Association Reflections contest.

This year's theme was "Suddenly You Turn Around And..."

The winners were:

■ Visual Arts Primary Level: first place, Rodger Lodge; second place, Victoria Li; Visual Arts Intermediate Level: first place, Tineara Brown; second place, Reginald Garrick; third place, Morgan Butler; honorable mentions, Brittany Cline, Aaron LaCombe, Kimberly Acker and Mitchell Dorsk.

■ Literature Primary Level: first place, Carlie Jackson; second place, Craig Strain; Literature Intermediate Level: first place, Nicole Creamer; second place, Rachel Constantine; third place, Amy Merrill; honorable mentions, Amanda Ashdown, Alyson Dean, Christin Clanton, Tyler Courtney, Autumn Terry, Lauren Kreger and Michael McMahon.

Continued prosperity wanted in new year

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needs of the farmers, wished for a bountiful, prosperous growing season in 1999.

"I hope the farmers have a good year from an economic and an environmental standpoint," he said. This was a mixed year. The weather wasn't great, but the biggest kickers were low prices and a disappointing international market.

"Hog prices are lower than they've been in 40 years," he said. "The Asian economy's down, and there's no money in Russia."

The American farmers had hoped to export pork to Asian countries, but that market failed to develop as planned.

And, while a surplus of farm commodities kept prices low here, Russian citizens suffer from food shortages.

Local corn and soybean crops also received damage from Hurricane Bonnie "but the weather's always a concern for farmers," Cullipher added.

"You can drain the land when there's too much rain, and irrigate when there's not enough, but there's not much you can do about wind and storms. But we've always had these storms, and farmers are able to adapt to these conditions."

"The impact of low prices was much worse than the storm damage was."

Volunteers, including Gene and

Donna Snow of Tidewater Western Riders, also hope for a favorable economy in 1999. That group donates funds raised at its annual rodeo, held each September at Princess Anne Park, to the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters.

"Our main thing is what we do for the Children's Hospital," Snow said. "We hope that Tidewater Western Riders will continue to promote the well-being of the children, and to contribute to the community."

His group, he said, also wanted to promote cultural and racial diver-

sity and harmony "and be able to help organizations and institutions" within the community.

Other volunteers prefer to keep their wish lists brief, concrete and pragmatic. Bruce Julian, volunteer coordinator at False Cape State Park, cautioned that it's best not to ask for too much "or you might not get anything."

"But we do need a couple more new vehicles (at the park)," he said. "And I hope we can build these roads up some. Water stands in them sometimes now and it's hard for bicyclists to get down here."



It was Greek to them

Third graders at Glenwood Elementary School participated in a special program called It's Greek to Me where they discussed the location of Greece, historical figures and an introduction to the Parthenon. Sponsored by the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia, the children were introduced to architectural terms and ancient Greek culture as reflected in architecture. The students got hands-on experience by creating a contemporary structure using components of Greek temples. Working on their project, from left, are Brianna Hill, Robert Vasquez, Erika Blackmore and VeNessa Chavez, students in Marilyn Anderson's class.

Exhibit features history of British maritime angels

God Job, Well Done is an exhibit honoring Great Britain's Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI). It will be at The Old Coast Guard Station Jan. 5-31.

Through photos and posters, visitors will learn about the lifeboats, the men and some of the harrowing rescues of the RNLI, and the extraordinary support of the people of Great Britain for this organization.

The RNLI is a registered charity which exists to save lives at sea. It provides, on call, the 24-hour service necessary to cover search and rescue requirements to 30 miles out from the coast of the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland. There are 205 lifeboat stations.

The men who man the lifeboats are volunteers receiving only a few dollars to cover expenses each time they are called.

The RNLI depends on voluntary contributions for its income. Men of the RNLI have saved more than 119,000 lives since its founding in 1824.

The Old Coast Guard Station is at 24th Street and Atlantic Avenue in Virginia Beach. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday

through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2.50 for military and senior citizens and \$1 for young people 6-18.

Whales now on the big screen

"Whales" a spectacular two-dimensional IMAX film featuring close encounters with the largest creatures on earth, returns to the Virginia Marine Science Museum's Family Channel IMAX Theater.

Coinciding with the museum's whale watching season, daily shows begin Saturday and run through March 31.

A feast of rich sights and sounds, "Whales" offers the rare opportunity to be immersed into the watery lives of these gentle giants. Filmgoers can hear the sounds and see the underwater world that influence and guide navigation, feeding, breeding and socialization of blue, humpback, orca and right whales, as well as dolphins.

For more information call, 437-4949.



BIG DIFFERENCE. Volunteer Whale Watcher tour guide Brett Kwader shows patrons the difference between a dolphin, left, and whale vertebrate.

Whale watchers rewarded

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of whale that is smaller than the dolphin," she added.

Pointing out a gannet, a bird with a six-foot wingspan, she knew that they indicated whales would be nearby.

"When you see gannets, the whales are feeding," she said. "The birds will feed on what the whales miss."

Then the whales actually began surfacing, and visitors crowded the sides of the boat to see them. They were rewarded with the sight of two leaps, as well as several spouts of the "blow," or the puff of vapor that is a whale's visible breath, as well as some special cloudings of the water, identified as the whale's "footprints."

Although whales are not usually identified with Virginia's waters, juveniles of the humpback and fin whale species often spend their

winters along the Virginia Beach oceanfront, attracted to the menhaden and the bay anchovies that team locally.

These are known as baleen whales, named for the baleen feeding structure inside their mouths that strains the plankton, small fish and shrimp that are in the water that they gulp for food. Adult humpback whales eat approximately 1.5 tons of food every day.

The Whale Watching Boat Trips are scheduled from Jan. 9 through March 7, on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:30 p.m. and all day on Saturdays and Sundays. The trip costs \$14 for adults and \$12 for children aged 1 through 11 years old. Call 757-437-BOAT for reservations. Trips leave the Virginia Beach Fishing Center at Rudee Inlet.

The Virginia Marine Science Museum is located at 717 General Booth Boulevard. It is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

School smarts

The Bayside Area Library, 936 Independence Blvd., presents a program on "Funding Your Children's Education" given by American Express Financial Advisors Inc. and to be held Thursday, Jan. 28 from 7 to 8:45 p.m. An American Express advisor will discuss various investment strategies for funding your children's education including financial aid options. Registration is required. Call 460-7518 to register. Participation is limited to 50.

Getting along

The Association for Research and Enlightenment in Virginia Beach presents a special Relationship Weekend, Jan. 15-17, focused on gaining new insights for transforming relationships and creating energetic interactions that nourish, heal and encourage growth on all levels.

Co-guiding the weekend examinations and discoveries are two acclaimed educators familiar to ARE conference attendees. Donna Drozda is a visual artist and educator whose career reflects a focus on the healing powers of creative expressions.

To register call Conferences Department, 428-3588.

Museum mini-camp

The Virginia Marine Science Museum continues the popular Mini-Camp program to begin the new year. Created and designed for children of all ages, the series will focus on seasonal topics with hands-on activities led by experienced staff. Campers are asked to bring a lunch and drink.

This winter's Mini-Camp program includes:
■ **Mammal Mania** - Become familiar with local mammals and their characteristics, as well as visit the Discovery Room's latest exhibit, Mammal Mania! Grades K-3; Saturday, Jan. 16, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., main building. Fee: \$10 members, \$15 non-members.

■ **Navigation** - How do animals navigate both over land and by sea? Explore the various tools used by people to determine direction. Activities include compass and map reading. Grades 3-6; Saturday, Jan. 30, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., main building. Fee: \$10 members and \$15 non-members.

Whale of a tale!

The Virginia Marine Science Museum will continue to host the Preschool Discovery Days series going into the new year. Created and designed for children for ages 4 and 5, the series includes age-appropriate activities, arts and crafts, as well as small group exploration of seasonal topics led by experienced and knowledgeable staff.

The Preschool Discovery Days series includes:

■ **Whales** - Tuesday, Jan. 12; 1 to 2:15 p.m., main building. Fee: \$5 members, \$7 non-members.

■ **Mammal Mania!** - Tuesday, Jan. 26; 1 to 2:30 p.m., main building. Fee: \$5 members, \$7 non-members.

For more information call, 425-FISH (3474).

Paratransit hearing

The Virginia Beach Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities will sponsor a public hearing on proposed changes to the Tidewater Transportation District Commission's Paratransit System. The meeting will be held Thursday, Jan. 21 at 4 p.m. at the Central Library, 4100 Virginia Beach Blvd. All interested parties who are residents of Virginia Beach are invited to attend and to offer suggestions. For more information call the Chair of the Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities, Marian Sanders, 471-6290 or the Mayor's Office, 427-4581.

AARP gathers

Princess Anne AARP Chapter 5119 will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12 at the Princess Anne Recreation Center, 1400 Ferrell Parkway. A potluck dinner prepared by members will be held. At 12:30 p.m. the Virginia Beach Health Department will provide free blood pressure tests. Call 430-2646 or 426-2302.

Superbowl fever

Spend your Superbowl Sunday at Great Neck Community Recreation Center. Bring your friends for food and fun at a Superbowl party, followed by a friendly game of flag football. The event will take place Sunday, Jan. 31 from 3 to 10 p.m. Center members aged 8 to 15 are welcome to participate for a cost of \$2 per person. Reservations are required by Jan. 16. Space is limited. For more information call, 496-6766, TDD 471-5839.

Moss light rail resolution withdrawn; council sticks to referendum idea

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

Councilman Don Weeks Tuesday withdrew his resolution calling for a halt in light rail spending after council debated the effectiveness of such a resolution and relied on its long-standing resolve to hold a referendum on light rail in November.

Weeks, on council only six months, was thrown into the light rail controversy as well as the controversy over the pending merger of the Tidewater Transportation District Commission (TTDC) and the Peninsula Transportation District Commission (Pentran) when he was appointed council's representative, along with councilwoman Barbara Henley to the TTDC.

Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. said that he didn't "see that Mr. Weeks resolution gets us anywhere but in the newspapers. We're not going to support light rail without a referendum." He added that the "only thing we control is the referendum process."

On Dec. 17, 1996 the city passed a resolution saying that council would take no action on light rail until the city had a referendum.

In his resolution, Weeks had asked that the TTDC suspend further expenditures until a funding mechanism has been recommended by TTDC.

He said that his concern is asking for so many more millions from the state when so many millions have been spent. He said there is little public support for the project in Virginia Beach and that the council needs to be cautious in dealing with an agency handling taxpayer funds.

Wally Erb, president of the Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO), asked to defer consideration of

the resolution until after the organization has its Jan. 16 meeting. The VBCCO is an organization of 90 civic organizations.

On Dec. 17, 1996 the city passed a resolution saying that council would take no action on light rail until the city had a referendum.

Councilwoman Reba McClanahan, who said she supported the intent of the Weeks resolution, said that the resolution does not say anything about a referendum.

Weeks said he had no objection to a referendum.

In reply to Harrison's remark that the

council has no control over the money already appropriated for studies, Weeks said the city has some control over the federal transportation dollars, and that while the cost effectiveness of the project is not included in the materials, "they are asking for more money."

He said later that he understood the original amount that would be requested of the General Assembly was \$10 million but that this has been reduced to \$2 million.

Councilman Louis R. Jones said that he had not been very supportive of the merger "as you all know," but that he understood that the money currently being spent has already been appropriated.

"They're going to spend that money," He said council should address future expenditures. He said he did not want the TTDC to ask for any future appropriations.

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Old Coast Guard Station pays tribute to royal lifesavers' service

By Bob Rueggesser
Correspondent

On average, rescue craft of Great Britain's Royal National Lifeboat Institution are launched nine times a day.

Every day these lifeboats manned by volunteer crews and financed exclusively with voluntary donations manage to save at least three lives.

During the month of January, an exhibit entitled "Good Job, Well Done" at the Old Coast Guard Station at the oceanfront honors the dedication and courage of the men and women of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) headquartered in Poole in Dorset.

The National Institution for the Preservation of Life from Shipwreck was founded in 1824 by Sir William Hillary. Hillary, a courageous lifeboatman, recognized the need for a coordinated lifeboat service which would incorporate the various groups along the sea-coasts of Ireland, England, Wales, and Scotland that supplied life-saving services for sailors and passengers of his day. In 1854, Hillary's organization became the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

With the exception of a short period between 1854 and 1869, the RNLI has been such an overwhelming success that the government has seen little need to interfere with the efforts of this efficient, volunteer operation. Since its founding, the RNLI has been credited with rescuing more than 120,000 people.

Volunteer crews launch and man rescue craft in any and all weather conditions in order to safeguard lives. While almost all of the volunteers are coastal residents, they do come from divers walks of life which adds strength to their association.

A passion to preserve and protect human life is the common thread that engages fishermen and pharmacists with mechanics and salespeople. Today, as in the past, lifeboat crews prefer to avoid the bureaucracy of government and the pressure of politics because these elements are felt to interfere with saving lives at sea.

Today, the 210 RNLI stations and operative fleet of 277 lifeboats are on call 24 hours a day. Lifeboat craft, ranging from 16 to 54 feet in length, and their crews can reach a stricken vessel within 30 miles of the coast in four hours or less. After arriving on the scene, these lifeboats have the added ability to "search or stand by a vessel" for an additional four hours.

Over the years, the RNLI has pioneered and developed an impressive assortment of lifesaving equipment from cork lifejackets to self-righting lifeboats.

In 1854, Captain Ward an RNLI inspector fabricated a cork lifejacket which granted rescue crews weather protection and buoyancy. In 1958, the RNLI introduced the Oakley, the first modern self-righting lifeboat. In 1977, the drysuit was introduced to protect

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PRIZED ACQUISITION. Ann Dearman shows off one of her most prized recent acquisitions from the Royal National Lifesaving Institution, which is showcased in an exhibit at the Old Coast Guard Station this month.

Bayside, Holland areas targeted in report

Design seen as key to open space opportunities

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

The Open Space Advisory Committee has recommended concentrating on the census tracts in the Bayside and Holland Planning Area neighborhoods and communities to provide additional open space.

Bayfront and the Oceanfront also are listed among the areas where additional open space and outdoor recreation facilities are needed.

Councilwoman Barbara Henley, who chaired the committee, at a City Council workshop Tuesday when the committee's report was presented, said that in other areas of the city the city has to acquire properties to provide physical open space before it's gone.

"It's not something we can put off for five years," she said.

In some areas, Henley said, the answer to providing more open space may be in design of a development. She said that a

development can use the same density but provide more open space because of the way the development is designed.

The committee was appointed last July to consider the establishment of a city-wide open space program. The committee also studied land uses and patterns in the former Transition Area III, situated between the rural southern end of the city and the more developed areas and the feasibility of the Agricultural Reserve Program.

Although the city exceeds the standard of 10 acres per 1,000 acres of population for physical (physically accessible) open space (established by the National Recreation and Parks Association) the open space is not distributed equitably throughout the city, according to the report. The report identifies certain areas as having a deficit of park area and additional open space amenities such as greenways and scenic waterway improvements, trails and beach access are also needed.

Needs listed by the committee include 163 acres of neighborhood and community parks to meet current standards; 191 acres of district park area; Holland and Bayside needs open space and parks the most; and greenways and scenic water-

ways in six potential areas, 10 water access sites, 111 miles of additional trails and access to public beach areas.

The committee has recommended a permanent, staffed advisory group with at least one new staff person with a professional design background. Members of the group would include two members of City Council, two members from the Planning Commission, one member from the Economic Development Authority and one member from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The committee recommends no specific taxes or increases to fund the open space program, but notes that some tax increases may be generally acceptable by the citizens if the tax revenue is clearly dedicated for specific open space improvements such as neighborhood parks and trails.

Existing fund consists of the city's open space initiative fund, cash in lieu of payments by developers and sale of excess city property.

The committee also recommends redirecting the state's portion of the Commonwealth Grantor's Tax to local governments which could be made available on a state-wide basis.

The committee listed state and federal

agencies which have funding programs available for open space acquisition and development—TEA-21 Grant Program, Environmental Protection Agency Programs, State Open Space Funding Program and Land and Conservation Funds, and the Nature Conservancy.

In addition to a standing open space committee, the report recommends the use of a variety of legal tools to assist in the acquisition and development of an open space program; the purchase or donation of easements for visual access to open space and some limited use such as trails and greenways; no profit organizations to receive grant money, and community land trusts to be coordinated with the Agricultural Reserve Program (ARP) and other federal, state and quasi-public land management groups.

The report recommends revising land use regulations—for instance, some of the areas that have the greatest need for open space, high density apartments and condominiums, and commercial office and retail development currently have no requirement for reservation or dedication

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Commentary

HELPING THE HELPING HANDS

Red Cross needs aid

Several apartment fires, Hurricane Bonnie and other disasters — 1998 was a tremendous one for disaster relief in Hampton Roads. As always, the American Red Cross was there to support the families and communities affected by these traumas.

In the last six months, the Red Cross Tidewater Unit aided 152 families affected by fire in Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Chesapeake. The Portsmouth Chapter also contended with its own apartment building fire disaster.

These are incredible numbers of families, considering that in an average year the local Red Cross helps 160 to 170 families affected by the ravages of fire.

In just half a year, the Tidewater Chapter alone spent \$73,860 on local victims of disaster. That's nearly 75 percent of the unit's budget — and there are still another six months remaining in the fiscal year.

Most of the public is probably unaware of the amount of support given by the American Red Cross. On an average, there is a fire every three days in our area. For each of those disasters, the helping hands of the Red Cross provide nearly \$1,000 worth of support to each victim including immediate shelter, food, linens, rental assistance on a new home, medical assistance, bedding and more.

Contributions are desperately needed to help the Red Cross continue this work. Donations can be sent to the Disaster Relief Fund, Tidewater Chapter, 611 West Brambleton Ave., Norfolk, Va., 23510.

Help the helping hands who are there for so many. — V.E.H.

OLD MAN WINTER'S BITE

Out in the cold

Sleet, snow, freezing land, howling winds and bone chilling temperatures have already made their presence evident in local forecasts this winter.

As much of Virginia struggles to pull out of the recent ice and snow storms — many receiving electricity after bundling through freezing days and nights — Hampton Roads should learn from the lesson.

Severe weather doesn't have to be a life-or-death peril. If residents stay prepared for winter hazards and pay close attention to National Weather Service advisories, they can safely face the season's bag of tricks.

Take note of these top weather tamers provided by the Virginia Department of Emergency Services and you won't get caught "in the cold":

- Stock an emergency supply of water and non-perishable food.

- Keep an adequate supply of fuel in your home. Have an alternate heat source such as a wood stove, fireplace or space heater in case you lose power.

- Make sure you have a flashlight, a battery-powered radio, extra batteries, a first aid kit and extra prescriptions on hand.

- Check on elderly neighbors and relatives. Older people are especially susceptible to hypothermia — even inside their homes. Icy and slippery surfaces can also cause dangerous falls.

- Be sure that your car is in good running order. Have a mechanic check your battery, antifreeze, wipers, ignition and thermostat. Good tires are essential.

- Keep basic items in your car, such as a windshield scraper, battery booster cables, tow chain or rope, bag of sand, blanket, flashlight, first aid kit, road map and some non-perishable food.

Remember, when dealing with Old Man Winter, forewarned is forearmed. — V.E.H.

Letters to the Editor

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Clinton tactic 'bombed'; war not yet over

Bill Clinton says that the war with Iraq is over. Not so, says Saddam Hussein. Not only is the war not over, but that there will be no more inspections and Iraq will shoot missiles at U.S. and British planes that violate the no-fly zones. Recently, U.S. warplanes pounded three Iraqi military targets with missiles and laser-guided bombs.



The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

The Pentagon said Iraq provoked the confrontation by firing six to eight surface-to-air missiles at a British aircraft. The Pentagon said initial assessments suggested that an Iraqi missile launcher and two vehicles had been damaged.

Thank God there were no casualties among the 20 U.S. warplanes and the four British bombers that were patrolling the region, but it appears that not much damage was done for the effort that was put into the bombing.

There have been several bombings of Iraq, and American citizens have yet to learn the results of the bombings or the casualty count of either side. I doubt that we ever will. Saddam Hussein has outsmarted Clinton at every turn. He knows that a prolonged series of U.S. strikes will fail to achieve the American goals of either overturning the regime or pressuring Iraq into cooperating with the outside world.

Saddam also knows that Clinton has been using Iraq as a diversion from his personal problems at home. It seems that every time the best gets close to Clinton, he decides to bomb somebody. He bombed the Sudan and Afghanistan, and we have yet to find out what was accomplished.

Then Clinton bombed Iraq just 12 hours before his impeachment, and again we don't know any of the results. Many suspect that Clinton is using Iraq as an ace up his sleeve in case the Senate really looks serious about removing him from office.

James Carville, that slime ball buddy of Clinton, also has threatened to expose them of the "liberal" senators, so don't expect them to do anything. Saddam Hussein has the United States at a stalemate — and all that great talent that Clinton has around him like the Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Secretary of Defense Bill Cohen and Flunk, Sandy Berger do nothing but threaten Hussein, who continues to laugh at them and goes on his merry way.

We will just have to wait two more years until we get another president and then perhaps Hussein will listen. He damn sure isn't listening to Bill Clinton.

Welcome to the real world.

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Mom vs. work: a new experience

Parting is such sweet sorrow, but sometimes returning is even harder. If you've noticed my absence from these pages for about three months, there's good reason. He's about 11 and a half pounds now and 23 inches tall — and full of sprightly, innocent smiles.



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

Even before my son was one I made his arrival three weeks early. I had already decided that I would stay home with him and happily spend my days changing diapers, nurturing, cleaning house and generally doing the "mom thing."

Forget being a newspaper editor. Mothering is the hardest job of all. I admit that at first I thought it would be a piece of cake.

During pregnancy I romanticized about days spent in my immaculately-kept house with the most perfect, angelic baby in all creation. We'd have a gourmet supper on the table every evening when Dad arrived home, and I'd find time in between for freelancing stories, joining a moms' group and making creative crafts.

Like the legions of moms before

Working moms struggle to keep it together on many fronts — the workfront, the homefront and the mental front. Our minds may be on work and the task at hand, but our minds never stray.

me, I quickly learned this was all a gestational fantasy. Reality is dirty diapers, struggling to lose pregnancy weight, a far-from-immaculate house and a "To Do" list that keeps growing. Then add to that colic — and the dream of a perfect motherhood fades.

Despite colic, a backward internal clock (Mitch thinks day is night and night is day — and sleeps accordingly) and a messy home, I relished the time with my child. The main thing was that he was getting the most important things I could give him — all my love and attention.

But I also had another baby waiting for me, one that hadn't had my attention in months — the newspaper.

Before I was a mother, I was an editor. Even though Mitch was plenty to occupy my time, something was missing from my days. It was my "other baby." Writing is in my blood.

As desperately as I wanted to stay home with Mitch all day, every day,

I felt the best thing I could do to provide a better life for my "Little Man" — and for my mental well being — would be to come back to my other home.

So here I am. Monday was my first day "on the job" in months.

Putting up a brave front isn't easy. Faced with the decision that millions of moms have come to terms with, I walked the floor last night between endless love for my child and a love for my work as well. Of course, my son will always come first, yet there must be work, too.

Yes, I cried. And, yes, Monday I glanced at his sweet picture a million and one times. Like any new, doting mother, I called the babysitter after only a few hours just to see what my sweetie was up to.

His babysitter, Miss Linda, regaled me with tales of giggling limbs taking a good exercise after lunch, sweet smiles and coos, and a poopy diaper story.

On the outside I looked stalwart, but inside I wept for the lost moments. It doesn't get any easier either as the days go by.

How many of us returning to work weep for the moments we will be away from our children? The decision is never easy, nor is it something we take lightly.

Working moms struggle to keep it together on many fronts — the workfront, the homefront and the mental front. Our minds may be on work and the tasks at hand, but our minds never stray from the tiny ones we have left behind.

Parting is such sweet sorrow? From work — yes. But sometimes returning is even harder.

Keep those smiles waiting for me until I get home, Mitch. I love you.

Find happiness in the here and now

By Allen W. Smith

"Happiness is not a state to arrive at, but a manner of traveling." —Margaret Lee Runbeck

Happiness is not a destination. It is a journey which depends far more on the way we live our lives than on the stage of life we happen to be in at any given time. Happiness is to be found in the present on a day-to-day basis, not at some distant point in the future.

Too many of us think that we must reach a certain stage of life, or have a certain income level, in order to be truly happy. But the sad truth is that, if we cannot find happiness in our current stage of life, we will probably never find it. We must learn to be happy in the present because the present is all we have and all we will ever have.

Perhaps our constant search for happiness is one of the primary reasons for our unhappiness. It has been said that happiness is much like a butterfly. As long as we chase after happiness, it will always be just beyond our reach. But if we will sit quietly for a moment, perhaps it will come and perch on our shoulder.

Another reason for the unhappiness of some of us is that we expect to be happy all the time. Happiness is a relative thing, and we wouldn't know when we were happy if we didn't have periods of unhappiness with which to make comparisons.

Nobody is happy all the time. We all have our share of problems and crises in life, and it is very hard for any of us to be happy when we have just lost a loved one or suffered some other severe loss. Yet,

all of us must face such grief from time to time. It is how we live our lives between crises that determines whether or not we find happiness.

To a large extent, happiness is a way of thinking and a habit that we can cultivate. Whether we focus our attention on the reasons we have to be happy, or the reasons we have to be unhappy, is largely a matter of choice.

Some people, who have very little in the way of material things and who have more than their fair share of troubles, seem to achieve some degree of happiness through-

out most of their lives while others, who seem to have many reasons to be happy, go through life with happiness always just beyond their grasp.

Perhaps Abraham Lincoln was right when he said, "A man is just about as happy as he makes up his mind to be." Maybe happiness does depend more on the way we live our lives than on anything else. Think about it.

Allen W. Smith is a syndicated columnist from Tennessee, who focuses on the individual and daily life.

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Introducing the Youth Opportunities Office

Today's youth face a host of challenges — educationally, economically, socially and emotionally. The city of Virginia Beach provides many services geared toward helping our youth achieve their fullest potential in all aspects of their lives.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

The Youth Opportunities Office (YOO), which opened May 1, is the latest of our efforts to assure that the needed opportunities are available and accessible to all our youth. Located in the Kempsville Recreation Center, the Youth Opportunities Office will oversee the coordination of service delivery provided by city departments for youth ages 0 to 18.

As Youth Opportunities coordinator, Barbara Brinson is now working with other city agencies to compile a list of available opportunities and services and establish a database with this information which will be accessible to anyone, including youth and families. This will include a Youth Opportunities web page, linked to the city of Virginia Beach Internet site.

A Youth Opportunities Team has been formed with representatives from 10 city departments, public schools and the military. It will be expanded to include business representatives and youth and will help determine where the gaps in services exist and what barriers prohibit accessibility. This is to be a collaborative effort intended to increase opportunities for all kinds, including jobs, volunteering, educational, social, recreational and other appropriate opportunities for youth.

The Youth Opportunities Office is already working towards reducing duplication in two areas. In August, as a result of various city departments working independently to create service inventories and resource manuals, one group was formed, involving four city departments and the Planning Council. Also, in November, the office accepted the challenge to administer a Juvenile Justice Grant which partly entails inventorying youth services and mobilizing a city-wide team to develop goals for youth. Since these objectives parallel the YOO's, Juvenile Justice opted not to duplicate efforts.

Many will remember that in April 1997 I led a delegation of city workers, youth and citizens to Philadelphia to kick-off America's Promise, a nationwide initiative led by Gen. Colin Powell, which seeks to connect youth to five fundamental resources: opportunities for community service, a caring adult or mentor, a safe place and structured activities to learn and grow, a healthy start for a healthy future, and marketable skills through effective education.

Regionally, this effort is coordinated by SHRAY (South Hampton Roads Alliance for Youth). However, the YOO has taken the lead in

providing coordination of SHRAY activities in Virginia Beach, to insure that youth in our city have access to these fundamental resources.

Youth in Virginia Beach recently participated in "Make A Difference Day," an America's Promise/SHRAY initiative which challenged youth to spend one Saturday "making a difference" in their communities and in the lives of others by participating in a community service program. Local projects included a park cleanup, work at a nursing home, the Food Bank and the SPCA.

The YOO, as a SHRAY partner, is now gearing up for Groundhog Job Shadow Day on Feb. 2, when businesses, including city offices will allow high school students to shadow them for a day. Students will get a view of what job opportunities may be available and how to prepare for them. Groundhog Job Shadow Day will also provide a mentoring experience for our youth.

Mentoring and creating opportunities for youth to give back to the community are two areas upon which the Youth Opportunities Team will place a great deal of emphasis. Our goal is to have youth viewed as resources and for the city and community to work collaboratively to provide opportunities that make it impossible for them to fail. The Youth Opportunities Office may be contacted, 474-8492.

Barbara Brinson, YOO coordinator, contributed to this column.

Suspects sought in Beach Food Lion robberies

Three robberies occurred at Food Lions stores in Virginia Beach and may have been committed by the same men.

Early Saturday morning, Nov. 28, the Food Lion store at 2352 Virginia Beach Blvd. in London Bridge was robbed. Later that morning, the same men robbed another Food Lion at 3770 Virginia Beach Blvd. On Dec. 15, the Food Lion at 3960 Lakes Blvd. was robbed. Three suspects would enter the store and confront the employees who were then forced to lie on the floor while the cash register was emptied.

Crime Solvers

By Det. Lou Chappell, Virginia Beach Police Department

The suspects on each robbery had their faces covered but are described as 17 to 21 years old with a medium build. One black, one Hispanic and the other Hispanic or white. Two compact cars, one red and one blue, were seen in the area.

If you have information on these suspects, call Virginia Beach anonymously through the Hampton Roads Crime Line 1-888-LOCK-UP-UP.

Participants are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather, and may wish to bring binoculars, field guides and cameras.

The tour will leave from the Visitor Contact Station, located in southern Virginia Beach at the south end of Sandpiper Road in the community of Sandbridge. There will be no charge for the program, however, an entrance fee of \$4 per vehicle is required.

Entrance fees are waived for those persons possessing Golden Eagle, Golden Age, Golden Access, Annual, Refuge Passes or current Federal Duck Stamp.

gy, geology and general history of the refuge will be discussed. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable walking shoes and binoculars are recommended. Pre-registration is required and can be made by calling the refuge, 721-2412, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Up close and personal Betty Solomon: Basket case

By Victoria Hecht

Editor: Betty Solomon affectionately signs her correspondence with a simple "Baskets of Love," a parting that has more meaning than most would realize.

True, the Longaberger™ basket consultant and branch advisor does have a passion for the woven creations. But baskets represent far more to Solomon than a career and income.

They are her dreamcatchers...or, better yet, her dream holders.

Baskets are an integral part of Solomon's heritage. Though she never wove, one was lost without a basket during daily trips to the market in her native Spain. As a little girl, Solomon admits she cherished "big baskets, little baskets, you name it" for their decorative and utilitarian purposes.

Shortly after marrying a Navy man at age 18 and receiving orders to Japan, Solomon spotted a small sign in a craft shop advertising a basketweaving class. She signed up right away.

"After a couple hours, I had made a basket and felt I had found what I was meant to do. I loved it and bought every book imaginable on basketweaving and its history. It's actually the oldest craft known to man — even before man worked with clay, baskets were woven so tight that it was how they cooked. They would throw hot stones in the basket to warm the food," she said.

Once in Japan, Solomon taught basketweaving to others, yet she still had to find her niche as the "basket lady." Then a student brought a couple of Longaberger baskets to class. Solomon was immediately taken with the baskets completely handcrafted from maple in Dresden, Ohio.

"What attracted me was the fact that they were made out of wood. Every basket that I had worked with — every basket that I would teach — was made out of softer fibers such as reeds, wicker and fabric. My Spanish background led me to those kind of materials because we don't have that much wood in Spain," she explained.

Solomon, who had never seen a pamphlet for Longaberger products, vowed she would buy one of each basket when she returned to the mainland.

Today she chuckles at the memory. After moving to Hawaii, she visited a craft fair where a Longaberger consultant had set up a display. She grabbed a "Wish List," the company catalog, and told the consultant she wanted one of each basket. "I meant it, too," she smiled. "After all, how much could a basket cost? I think the line at that point had about 70 baskets. The consultant's eyes about popped out of her face. Then I got to the car, opened the Wish List and said, 'Oh my God! I just made the biggest fool out of myself! There was no way I could afford all those baskets. I knew if I started I couldn't stop.'"

An embarrassed Solomon called the consultant and said she would host a show instead, selling toward "earning" baskets from hostess dollars.

The show was a success — and Solomon was hooked. She decided then and there to become a consultant, if only to put her profits into buying more baskets for herself.

"I found that it gave me what I was missing. My daughter, Elena, was only one year old. It allowed me to get out, dress up and socialize. Though my English was good, I didn't know how to talk in front of people. I would look into a basket and literally talk into it," she said. "I wasn't making much money because all I was doing was buying more baskets."

The turning point came several months later, when Solomon realized that "if it was going to be something real I had to look at it like a business." She made a concerted effort to make Longaberger more than an expensive hobby.

She knew she was on the right track when, using the basket profit money, Solomon paid for the couple to take a trip.

A career also allowed the foreign-born Solomon to find a new identity for herself. She also began recruiting other consultants and, within a year, had her own branch.

"I just wanted more people to do what I was doing, for us to have meetings so we could share ideas," she said.

In March 1992, by then a successful consultant and branch leader, Solomon was uprooted again. This time military orders brought them to Hampton Roads. Her business was back to step one.

Then came the reality check.

"I was almost too confident. I thought, 'Hey, I'll come to Virginia and get right back into business.' But I found myself starting over," Solomon remembered.

She attended the annual "Bee," or the company convention, which was just what Solomon needed to recharge her battery.

Still, she returned to Hampton Roads to zero success. Even an open house yielded little results.

"I remember sitting in a corner hugging a basket. I thought if I 'connected' with the maple that the energy would flow. I had tasted success and wanted it again. I knew I could do it. I hung to the faith that others had in me. I learned that you can't build a house again from the roof — you have to start at the bottom."

Solomon gave herself a deadline of that November. If she wasn't turning a profit by then, she vowed to seek outside



employment. Once the pressure was gone, things took off.

"I started having a good time, and slowly it all picked up. By the time November rolled around it was going well. I started recruiting again and building a branch. The idea was not to make money, but to have people to support me and me to support them. The idea was not to just sell good products, but in the process to sell a little bit of happiness. When I did the shows people had fun and I had fun. Whether I made \$25 or \$125, the feeling was still the same."

Two years ago, coming out of a marriage, Solomon came to grips with being a single mom supporting herself and daughter solely on Longaberger income. Eyes filling with tears, she recalled a trip to the grocery store knowing the checkbook was low and would only allow the most basic food purchases. Her bill at checkout was \$62.

Solomon, however, kept faith in herself and the Lord that everything would work out.

Arriving home from the supermarket, she found an envelope taped to her door. Inside was the paperwork from a basket show that Solomon had conducted. Her commission: \$62.

"Some people think a miracle is walking on water. I think miracles are around us every day," she asserted.

A vivacious, astute businesswoman, today Solomon is recognized as the tops in her field. With more than 40,000 consultants nationwide, she is in the top 1 percent and recognized as a "VIP." She now has 56 consultants in her branch, all realized from faith and hard work.

And she no longer worries about "how she'll pay the next grocery bill."

"I look it one step at a time. You have to have faith that God is watching out for you. I just have to stay focused and know that the Lord will provide."

One last thing: Did she ever get all those baskets she wanted?

You might say so. Solomon estimates her collection now totals about 390...making her a true "basket case."

Name: Beatriz Solomon.

What brought you to this area: I married in Spain and my husband, being in the military, received orders to this area.

Hometown: Madrid, Spain.

Age: 35.

Nickname: Betty, an Americanized form of Beñ, short for Beatriz Maria de las Nieves Bravo Gonzalez-Palenzuela.

Occupation: Direct sales.

Marital Status: Single (divorced), but I have found an incredibly wonderful man — so life is good. Hal

Children: Elena Nicole, 10.

Favorite movies: "Legends of the Fall," "The Horse Whisperer" and "A Star Is Born" with Barbra Streisand. I saw "Stepmom" Friday and really loved it. I love all movies — mushy ones best!

Magazines I read regularly:

Anything I can get my hands on to kill time but usually home decor stuff like Better Homes and Gardens.

Favorite authors: Mary Higgins Clark mysteries and Garcia de Lorca, a Spanish poet.

Favorite night out on the town: I love to go dancing.

Favorite restaurant: Aldo's (Italian) and Rockafeller's. We eat at Pargo's quite often — best spinach dip. Love it!

Favorite meal and beverage: Margaritas and Irish coffee (in the right order) and any kind of seafood.

What most people don't know about me: That I dance Flamenco — a few times on stage and even television. It is my favorite way of escaping when life gets to me. It connects me with my heritage.

Best thing about myself: Sense of humor and positive outlook, all because of my strong spiritual beliefs.

Worst habit: I can be very messy and unorganized.

Pets: A cat named Whiskers, loving but pretty crazy at times.

Hobbies: I love to paint and do home decor, also finding junk and turning it into "wow" stuff.

Ideal vacation: Any place near the ocean. But, of course, the south of Spain.

Pet peeves: Poor customer service. It drives me insane. I can't stand rudeness.

First job: Baby-sitting and tutoring English at the same time.

Least liked job: Baby-sitting for twin boys — 2 years old — for six months full time when I was 17.

Favorite sports teams: Sorry, never cared for sports so I couldn't tell you much in this area.

Favorite musicians: Julio Iglesias (when he sings in Spanish only) and Michael McDonald (any romantic stuff).

Most embarrassing moment: During one of my first basket shows, I was wearing a long skirt, bent down to get a basket and when I got up — after stepping on the skirt — I got up but my skirt didn't. A good laugh solved it!

How I would like to be remembered: Knowing that I made people smile and by proving that with a strong faith in God, anything is possible. All your dreams can come true!

If I received \$1 million: Of course, I would do good things. Elena said to give \$800 away (to her that is a fortune). I'd also travel all the time and buy a cool piece of jewelry.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I probably would encourage people to be kind to others and find a strong support in God to have a wonderful life, because when that is in balance everything else flows.

See the cape and all its glories by bus tour...

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge and False Cape State Park will offer a bus tour to all visitors Jan. 24 at 3 p.m.

Visitors will not want to miss this rare opportunity to view the interior of the refuge and park during the closure period and learn more about various habitats and management techniques. Opportunities to see wildlife are possible.

Everyone is encouraged to sign up for the tour. Space is limited to 19 individuals and reservations are required.

Make reservations by calling the refuge, 721-2412, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

... Or hike the refuge

A winter wildlife walk will be held at the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16 conducted by refuge volunteer Reese Luke.

The walking tour will be at a leisurely pace along the refuge trails and boardwalks open year-round. During this walk, the eco-

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark the new year at 'Off 44' performance

Off 44's January lineup will offer a diverse mix of music, dance and monologue on Jan. 11. Off 44 is a compilation of performance art held the second Monday of every month at the Price Auditorium in the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and performances begin at 8 p.m. Light refreshments and cash bar are available. Admission is free, however donations are graciously accepted.

The program includes:
■ **Marsha Wallace** - a native of Boone, N.C., Wallace was first inspired to learn traditional music by her grandfather, who played clawhammer style banjo. In addition to her clear soprano voice, this collector of songs plays guitar, hammered dulcimer, lap dulcimer, mandolin and banjo. She and other band members from Tangent have recently produced their first recording, *Untaming the Shrew*.

■ **Michelle Long** - a local actress and writer, Long is currently writing for a nationally televised children's show. She will deliver a

monologue "Skin" written by Micah Montague. This intriguing piece speaks of the importance of human touch.

■ **The Rhythm of Ireland** Step Dancers - the spirit of Riverdance comes to Virginia. The Rhythm of Ireland is an authentic Irish dancing school, and director Deborah Souza will lead this performance. Traditional Irish step dancing will keep toes tapping in the Price Auditorium.

Off 44 is an experimental performing arts program organized for and by regional performers. All performers donate their talents. Off 44 encourages interested performing artists to get involved with its evolution. Inquiries, portfolios and resume submissions should be directed to Irene Tavenner at the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia, 425-0000.

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is located at 2200 Parks Ave. in Virginia Beach. For more information call, 425-0000.

Uhuru dancers present 'Echoes and Footsteps'

Feel the spirit of African-American culture and heritage emanating from the Virginia Beach Pavilion Theatre as Uhuru presents "Echoes and Footsteps," the evolution of African-American music and dance, Friday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m., featuring a panorama of talented singers, dancers and musicians and recording artists.

"Echoes and Footsteps" is a comprehensive timeline that chronicles traditional music and dance from its West African and Southern roots. African-Americans have contributed much to the total resources of human culture through art, music, worship and dance.

Featured artists include the Albright Family Gospel Singers, 1996 championship winners of "It's Showtime at the Apollo" and opening act for gospel greats such

as Kirk Franklin, Vickie Winans, John P. Kee, Dorothy Norwood and Hezekiah Walker, Blues Exchange, Gail Harris Dance and Performing Arts Company, The Good Life Band, Legacy of Weepoke, UHURU Dance Ensemble, Voices of Expression (Bayside High School Choir) who recently recorded their first CD and rap artist Legacy. There will be a special tribute commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., with excerpts from his "I Have A Dream" speech.

Tickets are on sale now at all D.J.'s Music and Video stores and Virginia Beach Pavilion Box Office. General admission is \$7. For further information call, 461-1644. This event is sponsored in part by the city of Virginia Beach Arts and Humanities Commission and corporate sponsor Virginia Power.

3D show gives viewers closer look at dinosaurs

Come as close as you're ever going to get to the largest creatures that ever lived — in three-dimensional detail. Beginning Feb. 6, discover dinosaurs through a new 3D IMAX film and robotic exhibit at the Virginia Marine Science Museum.

IMAX's newest 3D film, "T-Rex: Back to the Cretaceous," slices through the mysteries and

the millennia to bring dinosaurs to life with ground-breaking realism never seen before.

Earth's most fearsome predator — the tyrannosaurus rex — and other majestic, fierce animals of prehistoric times are brought to life in an amazing detail on an IMAX screen six-stories high and eight-stories wide.

This film incorporates the most up-to-date scientific knowledge about the creatures from the mystical past.

In addition, visitors will experience life-size robotic dinosaurs in a Dinamation exhibit in the museum's Changing Exhibits Gallery.

Beach Democrats sponsor SOL workshop locally

The Virginia Beach Democratic Committee will sponsor a workshop Jan. 23 from 9:45 to 11:45 a.m., concerning Virginia's new Standards of Learning (SOL) to be held at the Virginia Beach Central Library.

A panel comprised of Dr. James Haygood, Virginia State Department of Education; Dr. Edward Brown, Virginia Beach assistant superintendent of schools; and Melody Copper, president of the Virginia Beach Education Association will discuss the development of the SOL testing program, what the tests will mean to students and parents how parents may prepare their children for the tests, how to read the scores and the availability of remedial programs.

Coffee and refreshments will be available prior to the start of the workshop at 9 a.m.

This workshop is the first in a series of issues workshops and forums designed to provide information on topics of public concern.

For information contact William C. Bischoff, 422-3174, or Dan Creedon, 496-3813.

Beach students turn back hands of time to patriots' revolution

By Shiri Kuykendall
Correspondent

While everyone else was out doing last minute Christmas preparations, the pages of history were turned back at Princess Anne Elementary School.

The month was December, but the year was 1776 — and the place was Valley Forge, Penn. The fifth grade classes have been studying Virginia's part in the American Revolution, so they decided to have a re-enactment of Valley Forge.

Fifth grade teacher Scott Ireland explained, "Yes, we're in Valley Forge, but we're actually receiving news of important people and events in Virginia."

The students got dressed into their costumes between bites of pizza. Adam Traub, 10, was dignified as he spoke about his character — Count Pulaski.

"He came from Poland to help George Washington to fight in the war. The king of Poland gave Pulaski the honor of being a count." Young Adams was asked what were the reasons for the war.

"There was taxation without representation," the youth replied. "There was tax on tea, newspapers, legal documents and playing cards. King George of England taxed them."

George Washington, a Virginian, was selected by the Continental Congress to lead the American forces during the British.

Matt Drew, 10, portrayed the nation's first president. "We've been studying the Revolutionary War for just about a month," he said. "I feel good about playing George Washington because he was a surveyor and he was a general in the war. He was an honest man who helped the country really well. He had a plantation in Mount Vernon. He had a wife and no kids. When he died Mount Vernon grew around



PATRIOT GAMES. Matt Drew impersonated patriot and first president George Washington during a re-enactment of Valley Forge.

300 kilometers."

Andy Adelson, who played the part of Baron de Kalb, commented on his character, "His name is Johann Kalb. He was from Germany. He was in America because he was working for a French general named Lafayette. Johann went to America and was telling Lafayette what was happening in America. He was mortally wounded in battle."

The girls were also dressed up in colonial style. Danielle Kervahn, 11, commented on being able to dress up in another era's garb: "First of all, I didn't know what to wear and I didn't want to do this. But now I think it's going to be fun."

"I'm excited," she continued, "because this is a very unusual party. Usually we have a Christmas party making ornaments and Christmas decorations, but this is different."

Ireland added that this was really a learning experience, not a party and that it was fun.

"No one said learning couldn't be fun," he said.

Rodney Blythe was very much into his character as Marquis de Lafayette.

"My name is Lafayette," he said. "I was born Sept. 6, 1757. I was a friend of General Washington. In 1771, I joined the military. At that time I was a captain for the French army. In 1778, I went over America to fight the Revolutionary War with my dear friend, George Washington. While I was over there, I became a general."

The students made homemade butter to put on their cornbread and hardtack, which is like hard biscuits. The students and their teachers had apple cider and a barrel of apples at their food rations station.

The students filed into the gym in their colonial costumes, where tents were set up, and bright neon driving cones became signs designating certain areas, such as food rations, Valley Forge and drill area. There were artificial fires using real logs and red cellophane paper for the flame.

In the exercise area, some students were given messages coming from Valley Forge. They took turns pretending the messages were coming to Virginia for George Washington updates on what was happening.

In one such message read in 1774, the Virginia Committee of Correspondent sent letters calling for a meeting of people from each American army.

In the drill area, Ireland explained, "We're doing a little drilling about the Battle of Trenton. We're going to actually play-act a little bit."

The students put rags around their feet because they knew some of the soldiers didn't have shoes. They learned about the muskets called "Brown Bess" and how heavy they were and also how they took a full minute or more to reload.

PA teen takes fifth place in ThinkQuest annual competition

Amy Sanfieb, a student at Princess Anne High School, recently attended the International ThinkQuest competition held in Los Angeles. There she was awarded fifth place for her Internet entry of a Health Careers Resource Center.

Accompanying her was technology coordinator Patricia Terry, who had also served as her coach for the project and attendant competition.

ThinkQuest is an annual contest for students 12 through 19 years of age created by Advanced Network and Services Inc. With more than a million dollars in scholarships and awards, ThinkQuest has "energized the intellectual power of students around the world to contribute to educational technology." Students from schools on different levels of information technology ladder form teams and create Web-based educational tools and materials that make learning fun and take advantage of the Internet. Students from around the world participate in

ThinkQuest by creating or joining a team via the Internet, in a ThinkQuest electronic meeting place.

Once a team is formed, the students choose one of five contest categories — arts and literature; interdisciplinary; science and mathematics; social sciences; sports and health — in which to participate. They then follow contest steps to develop Internet Web pages about their category and enter it on the ThinkQuest Web pages where it is reviewed and judged. Approximately 35 teams are chosen as finalists and are invited to the Awards Event.

There were 2,289 applicants in this year's ThinkQuest, and 98 were selected as finalists, of whom Amy Sanfieb was one. She teamed with her cousin, Kristen Shumer, a student in Shrewsbury, Missouri. Many criteria are used in the judging, but the four main criteria include team collaboration, the use of the entry results in the

entry becoming more valuable, the educational value of the entry and the extent to which the entry has been, and is likely to be, highly used by other students.

As a fifth place winner, Sanfieb was awarded \$3,000, Terry received \$500, and Princess Anne High School also received a cash award of \$500. According to Terry, "The fact that the team was named as a finalist — especially given the huge odds — was terrific. Just creating the entry was a thrill, but to place in an international competition was unbelievable. Amy should be very proud of all her hard work."

According to Sanfieb, the competition, though challenging, "was a lot of fun" and gave her the opportunity to "sharpen her skills and really become proficient on the Internet. Terry was a great coach. It was because of her that I was able to do so well." Sanfieb is a senior in the International Baccalaureate (IB) program at Princess Anne. She created her entry during her junior year of high school.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Beach farmer receives Clean Water accolade

The Virginia Dare Soil and Water Conservation District has recognized Barry Knight of Virginia Beach as the recipient of the 1998 Clean Water Farm Award for the Chowan River Basin.

Knight's Blackwater Hog Farm was sponsored on the local level by Virginia Dare and was chosen for one of 10 awards given across Virginia.

The Clean Water Farm Award is given to a farmer to reward their efforts in implementing best management practices, following nutrient management planning objectives and conserving natural resources to contribute towards the improvement of water quality.

If you would like your farm to be considered for the Clean Water Farm Award of 1999, contact Jenny McPherson of the Virginia Dare Soil and Water Conservation District, 427-4775.

Three locals in 'Who's Who'

Three Virginia Beach residents are among the 27 students in Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia have been selected as national outstanding leaders and are listed in the 1999 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

The students were recognized for their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,900 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign countries. Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

The Virginia Beach residents included in the 1999 publication are Tara Noelle Bocock, Raymond Gonnard Gattin and Elizabeth Renee Phalen.

Top teacher

Newtown Road Elementary School's Karen Mallard was elected Reading Teacher of the Year for the 1998-1999 academic school term.

Mallard has taught for more than 10 years. During that time she has taught kindergarten and first grade students. She presently serves as one of Newtown's Reading Recovery Teachers.

Mallard frequently shares her philosophy with colleagues and students. "Every child is capable of learning to read and write. As an educator, it is our responsibility to find the key to unlock the mysteries of learning for each child."

Beware winter storm scams

Attorney General Mark Earley has alerted Virginia consumers to possible scams in the aftermath of the recent snow and ice storms.

■ **Home improvement scams** - Disasters always seem to bring a stream of questionable contractors who promise immediate or cheap home repair. They often take money without doing work, do a shoddy job, or add extra costs throughout the job.

To avoid such scams: work with a contractor you know; check references; get repair agreements in writing and don't make final payment until work is done to your satisfaction; be extra cautious when a contractor comes to your door soliciting your business; remember you have three days to cancel a door-to-door sales contract (if the product or service costs more than \$25).

■ **Charity/telemarketing scams** - Consumers should look out for telemarketers who call soliciting donations to purportedly help disaster victims.

Some tips to follow: don't give your credit card or checking account number to anyone over the phone, unless you have previously done business with the company; get details in writing; check out organizations by contacting the Virginia Office of Consumer Affairs; give only to disaster relief charities you know are reliable; beware of "copy cat" names that sound like reputable charities.

■ **Price gouging** - Unfortunately, some unethical companies will attempt to take advantage of disaster victims by charging exorbitant prices for products or services that victims have little choice to purchase (e.g., kerosene heaters, firewood, generators).

The Cat Fanciers Assn., Inc. & Pawprints In The Sand, Inc. Sponsor
Cat Show
January 16-17, 1999, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Holiday Inn-Chesapeake
Admission: \$4.00 Adults; \$2.00 Seniors and Children Under 12; Children under 5 free. 50 cents off 1 adult admission with food donation to animal shelter.
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Storytimes set

Preschool storytimes are offered at Pungo-Blackwater Library Thursdays, Jan. 7 through Feb. 11 at 11 a.m. The library, 922 Princess Anne Rd., presents storytimes for children aged 3 to 5 years of age. Come join us at our storytime programs and warm up with a good book, games, songs, crafts and fun. Call 426-5194 for more information.

Advisory committee

The Shore Drive Advisory Committee will meet Monday, Jan. 11 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Fort Story Headquarters, Building #300. For further information contact Clay Bernick of the Virginia Beach Department of Planning, 427-4621.



TOP HONORS. Virginia Beach Mayor Meyers Oberndorf, second from right, presents Council of Civic Organizations Certificates of Distinction to Sandy Linkous, second from left, for her service during 1998 to the community and the city of Virginia Beach. Also honored were Dr. Carl O. Helvie, right, of Lake Holly North Civic League for his service to the neighborhood and league. At left is George Wedsworth, CCO president in 1997 and 1998.

Erb installed as CCO president

Wally Erb of Carolanne Farms Civic League was installed as 1999 president of the Council of Civic Organizations of Virginia Beach at the banquet last month. The event was held at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach. A record number of 158 civic league representatives and their guests attended.

Mayor Meyers E. Oberndorf performed the installation as well as the presentation of recognition certificates to civic league persons for their outstanding contributions to their league or to the city of Virginia Beach.

Sandy Linkous of Lake Shores Civic League was presented the CCO Award of Distinction for her outstanding contributions to the community and the city, while Dr. Carl O. Helvie of Lake Holly North Civic League was presented the CCO Award of Distinction for his contributions to his civic league and neighborhood.

Both of these awards were surprises to the recipients and to the assembled group.

Other CCO officers and directors installed by the mayor included: Carolyn Lincoln, first vice president; Al Wallace, second vice president; Maurice Jackson, corresponding secretary; Robert "Bob" Heard, recording secretary; Sandy Linkous, treasurer; and directors: Maury Bailey, Joseph Freehill, Al Ablowich, Chandler Calvert, Dave Noonan and Ed Usovski.

Those receiving CCO Certificates of Recognition for Outstanding Service to the Community and city of Virginia Beach were Al Ablowich, Back Bay Pungo Civic League; Lee Bandy, Kings Grant Community League; Dan Baxter, Glenwood Community Association; Eddie Bourdon, Croatan Civic League; and Judy Connors, Ocean Park Civic League.

Also, Dianne Frantz, Birdneck Point Civic League; Sandy Linkous, Lake Shores Civic League; Britt Lipscomb, Glenwood Community Association; Dan Lowe, Lake Smith Terrace; Haywood Point Civic League; Gail Nilsen, Aragona Civic League; Patricia Ravensell, Level Green Civic League; and Ed Usovski, Woodstock Civic League.

Virginia Beach CCO Recognition Awards recommended by respective Civic Leagues for outstanding service to the neighborhood and Civic League were:

- Larry Adler, Larkspur Civic League;
- Marcia Allen, Holland Pines Civic League;
- R.B. Alley, South Shore Estates Civic League;
- Peggy Anderson, Southall Quarter Civic League;
- Emma Boston, Bellamy Plantation Civic League;

- Thomas D. Call, Great Neck Point Civic League;
- Ellie Campbell, Pembroke Manor Civic League;
- Chris Carobine, Back Bay Pungo Civic League;
- Ruth Coefield, Lake Edward Area Civic League;
- Jeannette Copeland, Diamond Lake Estates Civic League;
- Richard Copeland, Diamond Lake Estates Civic League;
- Susan Coutures, Glenwood Community Association;
- Carl Davis, Woodstock Civic League;
- Louise Dunn, Lynnhaven Colony Civic League;
- Charles Erwin, Riverton/Lakeville Estates Civic League;
- Tammy Farmer, Alexandria Civic League;
- John Gibson, Level Green Civic League;
- Martin Goode, Cypress Point Civic League;
- April Goodwyn, Bellamy Woods Civic League;
- Leo Gregorczyk, Carolanne Farms Civic League;
- Charles Hawkins, Lynnhaven Woods Civic League;
- Carol O. Helvie, Lake Holly North Civic League;
- Bill Hemmingsway, Cavalier Park/Bay Colony Civic League;
- Jackie Hendrickson, Southall Quarter Civic League;
- Esther Hobbs, Salem Woods Civic Association;
- Barbara Hudson, Little Haven Civic League;
- Ted Inglesbe, Park Place Civic League;
- Nancy Johnson, Cavalier Park/Bay Colony Civic League;
- Bob Kerr, Trantwood Lake Corporation;
- John King, Lake Smith Terrace/Haygood Point; Governor Square Civic League;
- Richard Knight, Fairfield Community Civic League;
- Ben A. Krause, Seabreeze Farms Civic League;
- Ken Kaly, Lynnhaven Woods Civic League;
- Clyde March, Thoroughgood Civic League;
- Bob Moser, Kings Grant Community League;
- Bob Munsey, Chesapeake Colony Civic League.

- John Salop, North Virginia Beach Civic League;
- Ed Sargent, Lynnvivew Civic League;
- Shirley Schuyler, Larkspur Meadows Civic League;
- Julie Shields, Pine Meadows Civic League;
- Jim Stancil, Aragona Civic League;
- Timothy Thomas, Lakeview Park Civic League;
- Linda O. Watkins, Croatan Civic League;
- Julie Weeks, Wolfsware Plantation Civic League.

In all 62 recognition certificates were presented for the volunteer service of civic league persons in 1998.

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LEGAL NOTICES

TRUSTEE SALE

456 Hill Meadow Drive

Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Dallas W. Williams, Jr. dated June 24, 1998 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3908, page 1853, securing a loan which was originally \$44,250.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 29, in Block B, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Lots 1-27 Hilltop South." Tax Map #2407-96-9732.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$4,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional.

FOR INFORMATION

CONTACT: Between 8 - 11 AM

Nectar Projects, Inc. and/or Draper and Goldberg, PLLC, Substitute Trustees
 750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
 Leesburg, Virginia 20175
 (703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE

5242 Vestry Drive

Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust

from James G. Wheeler and Cynthia E. Wheeler dated May 14, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3739, page 1989, securing a loan which was originally \$170,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 28, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 77, Block A, as shown on that certain plat known as "Subdivision of Fairfield, Section Five." Tax Map #1466-68-0350-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$16,900.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

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Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE

341 Opal Avenue

Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Donna L. Borgia dated March 26, 1998 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3863, page 1784, securing a loan which was originally \$83,027.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:04 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot L, Block 19 as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of ARAQUA VILLAGE, Section Thirteen." Tax Map #1477-06-4237.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$8,300.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

FOR INFORMATION

CONTACT: Between 8 - 11 AM

Nectar Projects, Inc. Substitute Trustees
 750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
 Leesburg, Virginia 20175
 (703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE

912 Twinbrook Court

Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kevin D. McCoy and Nicole J. McCoy dated October 30, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office,

Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3675, page 1696, securing a loan which was originally \$68,238.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 4, in Block WW, as shown on that certain plat entitled "OAK SPRINGS, SECTION 1, PART 8, PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH." Tax Map #1486-50 7889 000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,700.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: VA.

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 Leesburg, Virginia 20175
 (703) 777-8619

Public Notice

Virginia:

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, January 26, 1999 at 6:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Gee-Cee Construction Group LLC for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District and A-12 Apartment District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on certain property located at the northern extremity of North Garrett Point Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium & high density that is compatible with townhouse and multi-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 15.205 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

2. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess House, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for housing for the aged on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road, 180 feet north of Baxter Road. Said parcel contains 5.014 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Rock Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a child care education center in a church at the northeast intersection of Kempsville Road and Manor Drive. Said parcel is located at 580 Kempsville Road and contains 7.72 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Armada/Hoffler Holding Company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast corner of Wesleyan Drive and Diamond Springs Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for business and retail land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density that is compatible with single-family use.

In accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 12.8753 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Manorhouse Retirement Center, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for an assisted living facility on certain property located on the south side of Wesleyan Drive beginning at a point 760 feet east of the east of Broad Meadows Boulevard. Said parcel contains 4,770 acres more or less. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Darlene McNeice Castellano for a Conditional Use Permit for a home occupation (housing for the aged) on Lot 3, Block 3, section 3, Lake Shores. Said parcel is located at 5249 N. Lee Road and contains 20,000 square feet. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Motiva Enterprises, LLC, for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station on Lot 4 & 5, Diamond Lake Estates. Said parcel is located at 5793 Northampton Boulevard and contains 40,000 square feet. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:

8. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John S. George. Property is located at the northeast corner of Independence Boulevard and Cullen Road. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

STREET CLOSURE:

DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL

9. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach for a Conditional Use Permit for a line-of-sight relay device (wireless communication antennae) on property located at the northern extremity of Chantry Drive, said parcel is located at 701 Chantry Drive and contains 15,000 square feet of a 9.08 acre parcel.

DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

10. An Ordinance upon Application of S and R Properties for a Conditional Use Permit for a bingo hall on certain property located on the south side of Cleveland Street beginning at a point 250 feet more or less west of Aragona Boulevard. Said parcel contains 4.81 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE

11. An Ordinance upon Application of Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Princess Anne Road and S. Independence Boulevard. The proposed zoning classification change of Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban employment use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.008 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

12. An Ordinance upon Application of Barry Behrman for a Conditional Use Permit for an expansion of a commercial recreational facility (family billiards) on the east side of Princess Anne Road, south of Parliament Drive. Said parcel is located at 5610 Princess Anne Road and contains 9.96 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS:

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

13. Application of Buddhist Association of Hampton Roads for the modification of conditions attached to the December 9, 1997 approval by City Council. The modification is to clarify the design and building materials for the monk's residence, which will be constructed prior to the temple. Several changes are also being proposed to the approved site plan. Property is located at 4915 Bonney Road and contains 2.44 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

14. Application of Sue D. France for an enlargement in a nonconforming use on property located at 1741 London Bridge Road. Said parcel contains 1.51 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AE City Clerk

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Volunteers shore up dunes against ravages of erosion

Old Christmas trees get new life in False Cape presentation project

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

When the days start getting longer and the northwest wind whips across Back Bay, the used Christmas trees start rolling into False Cape State Park. So do a small but hardy group of volunteers, who are determined to brave the cold and save the dunes.

The trees, which are placed in the dunes to help prevent erosion, are donated by area businessmen who were left with unsold trees. But it takes a lot of time and muscle to drag the trees into the massive sand hills that stretch through the park's several miles of shoreline, and that's where volunteer labor proves useful.

Early one recent bright, cold morning, while most Virginia Beach residents were at home recovering from the holidays and taking refuge from winter's first really powerful blast, a group of about 12 people gathered at False Cape State Park. Their mission was to shore up the dune line but their immediate goal was to stay warm.

Some sipped coffee as they hit the beach, ready to load and haul hundreds of trees into the park's high dunes. A few grumbled good-naturedly about the cold, the early hour, or the task that lay ahead. Everyone, however, expressed gratitude that there was only a light west wind blowing and that the sun, that was just beginning to rise over the beach, felt bright and warm.

As the day wore on, however, the

The group worked all day under the leadership of volunteer coordinator Bruce Julian, and they finally succeeded in moving 450 trees.

wind switched to the northwest, gained force, then began to blow from the northeast. It blew fine, stinging grains of sand into faces and eyes, and the workers lugged harder to haul the heavy trees uphill, against the wind, and high into the dunes.

Still, the group worked all day under the leadership of volunteer coordinator Bruce Julian, and they finally succeeded in moving about 450 trees up into the dunes. Because False Cape is limited access, the volunteers made several trips up and down the beach, hauling the trees by trailer and pick-up truck from Back Bay Wildlife Refuge, where they were piled, into the dunes several miles south to the south.

Loading the cumbersome trees onto the trailer wasn't light work. The slender trees were heav-

ier than they looked, their needles stung even through heavy winter clothes and they were wet from melting frost. Still, Julian kept the group organized and moving, and the stack of trees on top of the trailer grew higher until it was several feet overhead.

"Just toss that tree up here, you can't slide it," he told one worker who was struggling to lift a heavy tree onto the stack just as it rained down a shower of needles and icy water onto his face.

Unloading them and dragging them into the dunes was even harder. Fir and spruce trees often stubbornly resist being moved. The branches have a way of becoming tangled, and they can be exceedingly difficult to drag through sand.

The increasing winds didn't help, and volunteer John Elliott pointed to gray streaks that were forming in the northern horizon. "That's a sign that a storm is moving in," he said. "I'll probably hit us from the northeast."

Elliott knows a lot about northeastern dunes and Christmas trees. As chief ranger at First Landing/Seashore State Park, he's assisted with erosion-control efforts there for several years. That park's used Christmas trees for 12 years to control wind and wave damage on the park's Chesapeake Bay beaches, and it seems to work, he said.

"It really has worked," agreed his wife, Dianna. "We have one of the few beaches that's actually gaining shoreline."



TREAD SOFTLY. Tall grasses and old Christmas trees are used to shore up the dunes as a preservation effort.

John and Dianna spent their day off from First Landing to help the False Cape Volunteers move trees, and Elliott's expertise proved useful. He and Julian scouted the

beach, searching for gaps in the dune line where erosion had already taken its toll. Then, he showed volunteers how to place the trees strategically against the dune's

northeast side, where they could best hold the sand in place. The same numerous, slender branches and prickly needles that make the trees so irksome to move are evidently what makes them effective at trapping blowing sand.

Volunteers and staff members have planted the trees at False Cape for three years, and visitors are often surprised to see the skeletons of dead, brown trees high in the dune line. Still, Julian said that he could tell that past efforts have helped hold the dunes, which are pushed into a southwest direction by winds and storm tides.

Julian, who volunteers each weekend at the park, got a head start on the rest when he left over trees from businesses on the day after Christmas. He will spend most of his spare time during January hauling Christmas trees, he said, as more come in from area businesses and residents.

It's worth the effort, he added, and he and other volunteers agreed that there are worse things than spending a sunny winter day out on the beach. If you can stand the wind and cold, the southern barrier spit is a beautiful place to be in the winter. The ocean, on this recent day, was calm, and the water sparkled in the bright winter sun. Two wild ponies grazed in a sheltered, grassy area, a hawk stalked its prey on the beach, and a plump red fox gazed boldly at the human visitors from his perch high in the dunes.

"I don't get tired of it, (the work) Julian said, "although I get tired from it sometimes. The hardest thing about those Christmas trees is having to throw them up on top of the trailer."

Moss light rail resolution withdrawn council sticks to referendum idea

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McClanahan said that she did not want to send the message "we want additional money spent."

Henley said that in her understanding, the Environmental Impact Statement on the line between Norfolk and the oceanfront has been finished and there will be some comment as early as next week with hearings in March, conducted by TTDC.

It is also her understanding, she said, that the EIS for the preliminary leg for the Naval Base extension has not been done but will get under way this year at a cost of \$7 million which is available.

She said that her concern is knowing the length of time the EIS takes and that she has not seen contract awards. She said she doubts the work will be completed by November in time for the referendum question which has to be developed by Sept. 1. "I don't want someone to come down here saying we're not finished." He suggested letting everyone know the referendum was being scheduled.

As for the financing of the light rail, three options have been discussed — a gas tax, a sales tax and a recreation tax.

She said that when the city adopted its resolution in 1996, estimates were that the EIS would be finished in 24 months and the Norfolk/Beachfront EIS has met that time frame. But the additional EIS to the Naval Base — and including the Naval Base was chief among the city's conditions to consider the light rail system — is not done. She said the city should say we have to have the information.

She said that if the two agencies are merged, she is concerned about what the buy-laws will say. She said that things are in flux and there are a awful lot of things that have to be tied down. "We need to let it be known we will have a referendum."

Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr. said that the referendum would not have a chance of passing without the support of the two TTDC representatives and the rest of City Council.

City Manager James K. Spore said that contracts have not been awarded for the Naval Base leg EIS study which will take nearly a year. He said that the referendum will come before the completion of the EIS but that the TTDC said it has the ability to furnish needed information such as cost projections. He suggested asking that no engineering work be done until the referendum.

Councilman Harold Heischberger said that he understood that Weeks' resolution was not a resolution to vote the light rail up or down. His concern, he said, was asking for a final decision on the proposed merger by the end of the month. He said that he is very concerned about the by-laws in the proposal of merger, but that he was most concerned with the structure.

"We're outvoted," He said the city may take a position that something be done by Jan. 30 and "they do nothing."

He said that for Virginia Beach to have its own transportation system is not practical.

Spore submitted to the agencies 27 questions on the merger and said that he received a number of an-

swers. He said that the TTDC and Pentran would have the merger documents by the end of February or the beginning of March and would meet with the city in March and April.

To require a merger decision by Jan. 31 as requested in the resolution, he said, is not possible.

Richard Robertson said that he did not want to hear anymore about light rail. He said that two years ago the price per trip was to be \$2. Now the cost of the project, with inflated figures, is nearly a billion dollars, he said.

"We're going to be pouring dollars in this thing. He said that the Virginia-Pilot has never been able to say anything bad about light rail or anything good about Virginia Beach."

He noted TRT (Tidewater Regional Transit/TTDC) has always been vague in its pronouncements. He said that "this thing will never pay for itself."

Councilman Linwood Branch III asked Erb to find out from his members whether they would be willing to support a tax increase for light rail. He said that he found it ironic that the (daily) newspaper criticizes decisions council makes on spending but endorses this money wholeheartedly although it is not well spent.

Henley said she was concerned about the merger. She said that it was one thing if two bus systems were merging, but another if an intermodal system is included. It's a shame, she said, that light rail and the merger came at the same time.

She said that if more than a bus system is involved the city should have more control.



TRUE COLORS. Ann Dearman and Fielding Tyler unfurl the official Royal National Lifesaving institution flag which was originally based upon the Red Cross of Saint George.

Exhibit pays tribute to service

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lifboat crews from hypothermia. In addition, the RNLi Crewsaver lifejacket was introduced in 1993.

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More recently, coxswain Brian Bevan of the Humber lifeboat crew made history by earning the RNLi Bronze, Silver, and Gold medals within the same year.

This colorful, informative exhibit, "Good Job, Well Done," was the brainchild of Anne Dearman, education program director at the Old Coast Guard Station. Dearman has been gathering posters, charts, photos and assorted materials for the RNLi exhibit since 1991.

Dearman has added a number of new acquisitions to the RNLi exhibit during the past few years. Authentic RNLi donation boxes

"Well, that was in August. Nothing happened and nothing happened. I didn't hear a word. I thought, OK, that's the end of that."

Ann Dearman

mentioned that she'd love to have an RNLi collection box for her exhibit.

One of the English visitors told Dearman that they had a whole garage full of the collection boxes. "We'll send you one," said the visitors.

"Well, that was in August," said Dearman. "Nothing happened and nothing happened. I didn't hear a word," she recalled. "I thought, OK, that's the end of that."

Dearman received a Christmas card, assuring her that she had not been forgotten and that the collection box would soon be coming.

In May, a package from England arrived. "They were just marvelous," smiled Dearman. "They sent me two of these collection boxes, a darling model of a lifeboat, and an RNLi flag."

Dearman was delighted. "The RNLi is such a fantastic organization. It is absolutely amazing the way they raise money," she said. "Raising funds for the RNLi is a nationwide thing and everybody is so involved in it."

One of the countless products that the RNLi markets to raise funds is a commodity called Lifesaver Tea which is available in the gift shop of the Old Coast Guard Station.

"We tried to get this a few years ago, but they didn't have a U.S. distributor," remarked Dearman. "It's absolutely perfect for us, and it's good tea I understand," she said. "The money from the tea goes to the RNLi."

Report targets Bayside Holland

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or dedication of open space.

The committee has also recommended placing a cap of \$10,000 an acre for easements of farmland south of the Green Line obtained by the city. Also, recommendations are that part of the former Transition Area III, which is south of the Green Line, be planned to emphasize other development opportunities such as equestrian trails, equestrian facilities, hiking trails, nature watching opportunities, nurseries, agricultural tourism, production and direct marketing of high value crops.

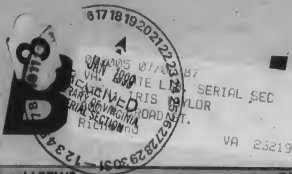
Among other recommendations are that ARP continue to be an option for landowners in the transition area east of West Neck Creek

(former Transition Area III), and that public sewer and water capacity and extensions be limited and strategically engineered to direct development within the area to the patterns and levels desired by combining parcels and not extending public sewer or water beyond Flanagan's Lane.

To illustrate the difficulty the city has in retrofitting older neighborhoods, Mayor Meyers Oberdorff related the experience of a city attorney. He said he was one of the most brilliant young city attorneys anyone could ask for. His wife, however, created a spin when he asked for sidewalks for her neighborhood. The negative response and rhetoric was so great, she said that the family left the area. The people

did not want sidewalks, Oberdorff said. He said that in many cases the city told developers to install sidewalks, but the neighbors did not want them. She said that the city listens to what the citizens want. Later, people wonder why council did not have the foresight to put in sidewalks.

Reese Luke Jr., a member of the open space committee, said that a good example of open space planning occurred 15 years ago when a trail was built along the Little Neck corridor. He said that the supporters met some objections from residents, but came around after a girl lost both legs in a bicycle/vehicle accident. He said, "The trail has definitely benefited our neighborhood."



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Winter art classes

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia has started registration for its winter/spring 1999 semester. Students may choose from a variety of studio art classes in a variety of media, including beginning and figure drawing, watercolor and oil painting, including Impressionism and traditional realism; pastel and oil pastel; ceramics, including Japanese techniques, ceramic tiles and Raku; black-and-white and color photography and more. Workshops this semester include glass mosaics, gold leafing, feng shui and a special "Wrapped with Love" jewelry workshop. To request a complete schedule call the CAC education department, 425-0000.

Special workshop

A special workshop on Japanese ceramic techniques will be featured at the Contemporary Art Center. Students will learn traditional Japanese ceramic forming processes, decoration and glazing techniques. The instructor is Monique Leigh Thomas. Dates are Wednesdays, Jan. 27-Feb. 24 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, March 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Cost for CAC members is \$65 for non-members, \$75, plus \$22 materials fee. Call the education department at 425-0000 for more information or to request a complete schedule of classes and upcoming events.

Choo choo!

The Tidewater Division of the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) will hold its January meet starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 16 at the Bayside Recreation Center, 4500 First Court Rd. in Virginia Beach. Division members and subscribers to the division's bi-monthly newsletter may buy and sell items at the auction, which will be set up between 9 and 10 a.m. and will start at 10 a.m. All purchases and sales will be closed out between 3 and 4 p.m. Subscriptions to the division's newsletter, the *Call Board*, cost \$5 per year. However, full membership in the division requires additional memberships in the region and national organizations as well.

New appointment

Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr. has been appointed by City Council to take Barbara Henley's place on the Tidewater Regional Transit Board.

Councilman Don Weeks is the other council representative on the board. Henley resigned during discussions of the progress of a merger of TRT and Penntan, the Peninsula transit organization.

Cookie time!

The 1999 Girl Scout Cookie Sale is under way. Orders are now being taken for eight varieties at \$2.50 per box. Order from neighborhood Girl Scouts or by calling 340-YUMM. The Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast is a United Way agency.

Spring dreams

"Spring Dreaming," a horticulture and flower design show, is set for Jan. 22-24 at the Virginia Beach Pavilion. Open to the public for entry and/or viewing, this event is sponsored by the Tidewater District, Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs.

Casino trip

The Unique Unlimited Travel Club is sponsoring a Martin Luther King holiday special to Dover Downs Casino on Monday, Jan. 18. The cost is \$22 per person, which includes transportation, a buffet meal, door prizes, snacks and games. The bus departs from Tower Mall at 7 a.m. and Bojangles on Northampton Blvd. in Virginia Beach at 7:30 a.m., returning at 10 p.m. Interested persons should reserve seats by Jan. 15. For more information call, 473-0938 or 487-1054. Proceeds in part will benefit the Miss Senior Virginia Pageant. The state pageant will be held on May 23 in Fairfax.

Red Cross helpers

The American Red Cross needs delivery drivers. Drivers deliver blood and blood products to the hospitals within the region. Drivers are also needed to pick up blood from drives and bring it back to the Blood Center for processing. A valid driver's license and DMV record is required. Other opportunities include bloodmobile workers, community education instructors and Disaster Team members. Call 446-7775 for details.

City supports 90-bed detention facility if state foots half cost

Council OK's increased beds if money there

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

City Council, by a vote of 8-3, has decided to expand its proposed Juvenile Detention Center from 60 beds to 90 beds — but only if the state agrees to pay for half of the \$13.6 million capital cost.

Under present state formulas the state would reimburse the city for only 34 percent of the capital cost.

Lacking the 50 percent state funding, the city would fall back to increasing the number of beds to 75.

Voting against the motion were Councilwomen Barbara Henley, Nancy Parker and Roba McClanahan. Henley, who said that she could find arguments for both the expansion to 75 and to 90, said she had to be influenced by the financial folks and said she did not have great confidence that the state will contribute 50 percent of the cost.

Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court judges had requested the larger size, and even an expansion to 105 beds so that the facility could be used for post-dispositional inmates (after juveniles are

sentenced) as well as for detention of juveniles awaiting trial. Otherwise, juveniles will continue to be sent to state institutions.

Supporters of the larger expansion have said a small facility will be obsolete by the time it is built.

At present the city's juveniles are detained at the Tidewater Detention Home in Chesapeake under an agreement between Virginia Beach and Chesapeake. The agreement assures Virginia Beach of 40 beds but the city generally has more juveniles — as much as 80 — at the home.

Even with the construction of a center in Virginia Beach the city plans to con-

tinue to use the Chesapeake facility for overflow.

Virginia Beach is also interested in winning state support for funding for 50 percent of the operating costs of the facility. Under present formulas that share would be 39 percent for a 90-bed facility. The first year's operating cost for a 90-bed facility would be \$4.78 million.

Consideration of the ordinances was deferred last week to gather input from residents in the area of the facility which will be located on Princess Anne Commons, adjacent to the Municipal Center. The citizens had expected a 75-bed facility.

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Volunteer ranks grow; service valued at \$17.3 million

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

The number of volunteers in city government increased to 10,418 during the past fiscal year from 10,293 in the previous year, contributing 1,592,900 hours of services with a dollar value of \$17,329,946.

In the 1995-96 fiscal year, volunteers worked 1,564,190 for a dollar value of \$16,710,147.

Mary Russo, volunteer chairman, in her annual report to City Council Tuesday, pointed out that the numbers are leveling off because, she said, she has found that volunteers are more difficult to recruit in good economic times.

She said to help the city continue its increasing use of volunteers, a video has been prepared showing prospective volunteers, why people volunteer their services and the satisfaction they receive from their jobs.

Virginia Beach, which just celebrated its 20th year of volunteerism, has been a leader in the field. On a visit to Virginia Beach, representatives of the city's sister city, Miyazaki, Japan, were so impressed that they wanted to learn how to establish a program in their city. In November the first International Volunteer Conference was conducted with Miyazaki.

Russo said one goal is promoting volunteerism world-wide.

In 1997-98 three departments were recognized as million dollar winners — Emergency Medical Services, the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office and the Department of Museums which had volunteers contributing the equivalent in hours of more than a million dollars. Emergency Medical Services attracted the most volunteers contributing \$77,347 convertible to a dollar value of \$7,583,265; the sheriff's office was next with \$21,0029 hours worth \$4,212,145, and museums had volunteers contributing 123,792 hours worth \$1,053,017.

Other departments with high numbers of volunteers were agriculture, community services board, fire, general services, public libraries, parks and recreation, Pendleton Child Service, planning, police and social services.

Naturalist not shy to Mother Earth's lesser-known bounties

Native plant expert
Shufer plans
foraging workshops

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

Vickie Shufer's trained eyes scanned the small patch of green leaves protruding from the winter-brown of the Blackwater landscape.

"Here's some yellow dock," she said, "and there was some pennywort growing here but it must have died back now. That last cold snap must have been more than it wanted."

"But the more you look the more you see," she added, bending back cold-blackened leaves to reveal small green shoots sprouting. On this balmy winter day, it's not too hard to find evidence that there's plenty of life stirring around just beneath the surface of the moist, thawing soil.

"This is really the season for greens," said Shufer, explaining that the wild cresses and mustards peak in mid-winter, then go to seed in early spring. "A lot of people say that in the winter, you can't find anything. They're under the impression that things go completely dormant then."

Many wild plants, however, thrive on the cold and other, less hardy ones will die back during a severe cold snap, then almost immediately start to put out new shoots when the weather warms a few degrees. That happens a lot during Virginia Beach's roller-coaster winters, and that's what makes this season a fascinating time for wild-food foraging, Shufer said.

Shufer, a naturalist and native plant expert, will hold a wild food foraging workshop at her Blackwater home Jan. 31. Another is scheduled for Feb. 20 and both workshops are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., although participants may register for only half a day if they choose.

Shufer's no novice at conducting workshops, and she's attracted a regular crowd to her nature walks and workshops which she frequently holds at Farmers' Market, or First Landing/Seashore and False Cape State Parks. This is her first venture in Blackwater, where she's created a



Photo by Jane Rowe

KEEN EYE. Naturalist Vickie Shufer says she has trained her eyes to distinguish edible plants among the thousands of tiny weeds that grow everywhere. She will share her knowledge at upcoming workshops at her Blackwater home.

natural lawn and wild garden from the plants that grow in the area.

Many of the plants volunteered to grow in the yard, but in order to increase the natural population Shufer transplanted others from the surrounding woods and fields. Now she lives in

a green bower of yarrow, plantain, wild mint and even a few cultivated herbs.

"I don't let my husband mow the grass very much," she explained.

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Tradition is a step back in time

Land House Twelfth Night festivities grow in popularity

By Bob Rueggesser
Correspondent

For 18th-century Virginians, the joy of Christmas began with the traditional lighting of the Yule log on Christmas Eve and concluded Jan. 6 with the revelry of Twelfth Night.

According to the Christian calendar, the Feast of the Epiphany (Twelfth Night in England) was the day that the Magi reached the Christ child in Bethlehem.

In colonial times, all of the most lavish social affairs took place on Twelfth Night. It was considered a splendid time for weddings. George Washington, for example, was married to Martha Custis during a Twelfth Night celebration. Later, the enchantment of this ancient

custom was recalled at the Francis Land House with traditional dancing, feasting, and toasting that faithfully mirrored the joyful enthusiasm of colonial Virginians.

Twentieth-century celebrants were swept back to colonial times during the 13th annual Twelfth Night observance at the Land House.

Guests sampled Twelfth Night cake and refreshments served by the Friends of the Francis Land House, danced with the Williamsburg Heritage Dance Ensemble, burned greens around a bonfire, and toasted the New Year with apple cider.

Music for this 18th-century style of celebration was provided by the host of



Photo by Bob Rueggesser

STEPPING GRACEFULLY. The Williamsburg Heritage Dance Ensemble is a perennial favorite among Twelfth Night visitors at the Francis Land House.

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Commentary

LEE-JACKSON-KING DAY

Three great men

On Monday, Americans will pay homage to one of the greatest men of the 20th century — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

At the same time, Virginians will continue a long tradition of honoring two of its favorite sons — Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson.

At first glance, some may note a possible ironic contradiction in honoring the leader of the Civil Rights Movement in this country with two military leaders of the Confederacy during the War Between the States. But rather than look at the men for honors, the homage is being paid to their ideals.

One can easily place King in the same category with Mahatma Gandhi, a great advocate for achieving equal rights through peaceful, non-violent demonstrations. Both men suffered mental and physical pain for their beliefs and refusing to be swayed by threats on them, their families and associates.

They ignored the slings arrows of bigots and government officials to create a better life for their fellow man. They both suffered for their beliefs and paid the ultimate price — their lives.

Both prevailed. Lee and Jackson embodied the spirit of the Southern gentleman and carried that attitude with them during war. Lee felt compelled to follow the dictates of his conscience and do his best for his home. Jackson was a devout Presbyterian who often delayed action until he had completed hours of prayer.

Their beliefs were no less than King's. That is why Virginia has chosen to honor them on the third Monday of January.

Virginia's place in history has long been established, and the trio of Lee, Jackson and King are a noted part of history.

RABIES AWARENESS WEEK

Putting bite into the issue

Hampton Roads may be cosmopolitan, but it is not immune to the threats of nature that its rural neighbors face. Rabies is one example.

This coming week, Jan. 17-23, has been designated Rabies Awareness Week by the Virginia Veterinary Medical Association and local health department. Its observance educates people about rabies prevention and encourages pet owners to protect themselves and their four-legged friends by getting pets vaccinated.

The number of rabies cases in Virginia continues to increase. Hampton Roads is not immune. Just last week cases were reported in Virginia Beach and Chesapeake. Chesapeake alone had 13 confirmed cases in 1998.

Rabies is not to be taken lightly. It is a deadly disease that attacks the nervous system and is spread by saliva of infected animals. Once a human is exposed to the disease, the individual can be treated with a series of preventive shots. However, rabies once established is universally fatal.

The rabies virus lives in the saliva and brain of a rabid animal. It is usually transmitted through a bite. It can pass through the membrane of the eyes, nose and mouth, or through any opening in the skin, such as a cut, wound or open sore. Rabies is also spread when animals share food with an infected animal, eat from the same dish or live together in small spaces.

In cats and dogs it is preventable, but it presents a real public health threat in these animals are not vaccinated. Virginia law requires that dogs and cats be vaccinated by 4 months of age, and during their lifetime they should receive regular boosters.

There are other methods to controlling rabies:

- Avoid contact. Do not approach wild or stray animals, especially foxes, raccoons, bats, skunks, dogs and cats. Confine pets to your property. Don't leave garbage or pet food outside as it may attract wild or stray animals.

- Report bites. Report all animal bites or contact between pets and wild animals to the health department or animal protection unit.

- Get pre-exposure vaccinations. If your activities or work place you at high risk, a three-shot series will protect you from accidental exposure to rabies.

Rabies is preventable. The smart person puts a "bite" on the disease before it starts. — V.E.H.



Two of a kind

Most of the responsible news media have hammered the hell out of Bill Clinton and that is as it should be. But the left wing cry babies have



The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

defended him to the end in spite of the depraved, despicable acts that he committed against Monica Lewinsky, Jennifer Flowers, Paula Jones, Kathleen Willy and other helpless women that the National Organization for

Women refuse to help.

The case of Clinton and the liberal press is no different than that of John Kennedy and the liberal press. They knew what was going on with Kennedy and the sleazy, infected women he was running with and never reported one word about it.

In Seymour M. Hersh's book, "The Dark Side of Camelot," Hersh quotes Larry Newman, the first graduate in his family who proudly joined the Secret Service in 1960, and in the fall of 1961 was quickly promoted to presidential detail.

His first major assignment was to provide security for a presidential speech in Seattle. "We had excellent cooperation with the Seattle Police Department," Newman recalled. The president made his speech without incident and returned to the safety of his suite in the Olympic Hotel.

The floor of the hotel had been sealed, as Secret Service protocol dictated access was limited to those with special clearance. That night Newman got what he called "my baptism by fire."

Sometime after Kennedy was back, Newman heard "a commotion up at the elevator." A local "Democrat sheriff" had come out of the elevator with two hookers and was bringing them down toward the presidential suite. I stopped the man and he was loudly proclaiming that the two girls were for the president's suite.

After much commotion Dave Powers, one of John Kennedy's sons, pimps, came out of the suite, and took the two hookers into the president.

Newman later joked, "We couldn't even protect the president from getting a venereal disease."

That John Kennedy was closely associated with the mob, there is no doubt. In fact he was sleeping with Judith Exner at the same time she was sleeping with mob boss Sam Giancana, who was sleeping with singer Phyllis McGuire. Exner claims that she was the in-between for Giancana and John Kennedy.

In deference to Bill Clinton, I doubt that he even came close to doing some of the perverse things that his hero, John Kennedy, did, but he was on his way until he picked the 21-year-old intern who wanted the world to know she had oral sex with "Mister Big."

Welcome to the real world.

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Nothing matches a mother's love

I know billions of women before me have been through the whole "mom thing."

And billions of women before me have raised even billions more children. Why then does it feel like I'm



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

a fool in the process?

To gently caress her newborn's going home outfit and marvel that her 12-week-old ever fit into such tiny clothes?

To weep for the days that her child was as tiny as a baby doll and wish for them again — all the while looking to

the wonderful future that awaits her wee one with gleeful anticipation?

My mom — who raised three boys and me — put it quite succinctly last weekend when she told me, "You've become a sap."

I suppose I have.

Credit post-pregnancy hormones, hormones returning to their normal levels, you name it. Just gazing at my sweet Mitch can start me howling in a matter of seconds.

Just the other evening a show with the cartoon character Bobby (a tiny tot) was on the television. Bobby's mom looked into her slumbering son's crib and envisioned him in the years to come as she sang to him.

First tiny Bobby crawled. Then he toddled on tip-toe tips with help from his parents' fingertips. Then he took his first brave step and fell on his rump.

Pretty soon he was tearing about the house — "the terrible twos."

I began to weep.

"Vicky, it's just a cartoon," Evan

groaned.

"But it's so sweet," I countered, looking at my own blessed babe reclining in his bouncer seat.

"That's because you love your boy so much," Evan soothed.

With that, I knelt to stroke Mitch's soft cheek and kiss his tiny head.

Working to strengthen Virginia's business climate

These are exciting days for our commonwealth. Nearly every day we read about another company locating in Virginia, expanding its operation or marketing a new product. Virginia



Guest Columnist

By Virginia Attorney General Mark L. Barley

is an incubator for ideas, for entrepreneurship and for creative capitalism — a place where innovation is the spark for free enterprise.

Companies like these are investing in our future, creating good jobs and providing strong leadership in our communities. And as your attorney general, I will continue working to ensure that Virginia's business environment remains attractive for long-term investment. I am opposed to cumbersome federal regulations that place unreasonable burdens on Virginia companies. I firmly support our right-to-work law.

And in addition to my personal promotion of Virginia as a great place to do business, my office aggressively pursues three strategies to keep our commonwealth fertile for economic development and growth.

First, we are working to preserve competition and a level playing field for all businesses. While I am a solid believer in limited government intervention in the private sector, I also believe fair and free markets bolster Virginia's economic climate. When healthy competition is preserved, prices fall, productivity rises and both consumers and companies benefit from a surge in creativity and innovation. My office has taken strong, decisive action to ensure all of Virginia's companies have access to the resources and markets they need to thrive.

Second, my office is aggressively fighting consumer fraud. Deceptive business practices rob hard-working consumers of their money — and legitimate businesses of customers.

Consumer fraud drains money out of the local economy and erodes public trust in honest business ventures.

Those companies that have themselves been victims of fraud also lose valuable time and resources they

leading marketing tactics.

Finally, my office is working to keep Virginia's streets and communities safe. Customers should feel at ease walking through our business districts in the evening. Likewise, business owners and employees should not be worried about crime or violence in the areas they work; instead, they should be free to engage in commerce and trade.

My task force on gangs and youth violence has formulated a package of recommendations to help curb crime in Virginia, especially in our downtown and urban areas where many businesses are located. And I will continue to work with other law enforcement professionals to ensure law-abiding Virginians can visit stores, shops and markets without worry or anxiety about violence.

Virginia is poised to lead the nation into a new millennium full of potential and progress. I encourage you to contact me with your ideas for how we can further improve and enhance Virginia's economic environment. Working together, we can keep our commonwealth on the cutting edge of innovation, investment and job creation — and build a strong, thriving Virginia for many years to come.

My office has taken strong, decisive action to ensure all of Virginia's companies have access to the resources and markets they need to thrive.

could have devoted to their investments. My office will continue to aggressively investigate and crack down on art con artists that engage in dishonest business practices and mis-

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Social Services expands mediation program to better serve community

The Department of Social Services has announced that it is expanding its Virginia Beach Mediation Service System to provide mediators to assist in dispute resolutions for citizens



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

within Virginia Beach. Previously, the mediation program was available primarily for family disputes and human resource issues.

Mediation is a dispute resolution process in which a neutral third person promotes communication between the parties to enable them to develop their own solution to the dispute. The mediator does not make decisions for the parties. This is a key difference between mediation and other dispute resolution processes such as arbitration or negotiated settlements.

Social Services believe that Virginia Beach residents should have all forms of dispute resolution available to them. Mediation is a resource that can often resolve disputes before people feel they need to resort to law suits.

Cases appropriate for mediation include situations in which:

- Parties have an ongoing relationship;
- Parties have had a significant past relationship;
- Communication problems exist between the parties;
- Parties want to tailor a solution and control the situation;
- Privacy is important;
- Parties have an incentive to settle their dispute because of time, cost, or a drain on productivity.

Cases that are not appropriate for mediation include those in which a party wants to establish a legal precedent, a party cannot negotiate for him or herself, a party's ability to protect his or her interests is impaired by physical or psychological abuse or if the inequality of knowledge between the parties is extreme.

The Virginia Beach Mediation Service System began mediating its first community dispute on Nov. 18. This dispute involved the residents of Sherry Park and authorities of St. Matthew's School, who will begin working together to develop a mutually-acceptable resolution to the traffic issues associated with enrollment growth at the school.

The impasse between residents and the school reached City Council in September when St. Matthew's sought permission to build a preschool.

The advantages of mediation in this situation, and other are that "communication is improved, creative solutions may be developed, and the parties have greater ownership of the agreement since they reach the agreement themselves rather than having something imposed upon them."

Mediation also reduces the time and expense associated with litigation and gives the parties skills they can use to resolve disputes in the future.

Although this first community mediation situation involves two groups, this process can be just as

useful for individuals. Neighbors who are having a dispute they cannot resolve, disputes between two people in the workplace or at school, are just a few examples of where innovating dispute resolution mechanisms, like mediation, can be used. The parties must be willing to work with a mediator and must be willing to take responsibility for and ownership of the solution.

Referrals for mediation may come from virtually any source including civic leagues, community organizations, city departments or elsewhere. All referrals will be screened for appropriateness and matched with mediators whose skills and expertise are suited to the type of conflict involved.

The Virginia Beach Department of Social Services has been providing family mediation services for more than 18 years, with 80 percent of the participants resolving custody, visitation and child support disputes in mediation rather than having the court settle matters in lengthy litigation. Currently, a cadre of about 40 persons — city employees and community participants — have been trained as mediators.

All mediators have at least a bachelor's degree or relevant life experience, and have participated in mediation training as well as an orientation to the Virginia Judicial System. All mediator sessions will be conducted by at least one certified mediator.

All mediator sessions and case files are confidential, unless the parties agree to disclose the information. Final mediation agreements are not confidential, however.

For more information, or to refer a dispute to the Virginia Beach Mediation Service System, contact Karen Asaro, 437-3551.

Emma Inman, public relations manager for the Virginia Beach Department of Public Information, contributed to this column.

Suspects sought in holiday robbery, vandalism

Virginia Beach police are investigating a burglary and destruction of property in the Oceana area.

During the Christmas weekend, unknown subjects broke into Wood



Crime Solvers

By Det. Lou Chappell, Virginia Beach Police Department

lights and windshields on these vehicles.

If you have information about this crime, call Crime Solvers at 1-888-LOCK-U-UP. You could receive a cash reward and you do not have to give your name or appear in court.

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General Assembly reports resume on weekly VBTV

Beginning Friday (today) you can get a weekly update on issues and legislation that can and will affect Virginia Beach. Hosted by Bob Matthias, assistant to the city manager of Virginia Beach, "General Assembly Report" invites members of the Virginia Senate or House of Delegates to discuss items of importance to Virginia Beach citizens.

The first report for 1999 welcomes Sen. Stanley C. Walker from Virginia's 6th District. This interview discusses Gov. Jim Gilmore's proposal to return lottery monies to localities, full funding of state aid to law enforcement and explores his thoughts as co-chair of the senate finance committee.

Also joining the program is Kay Kemper, legislative liaison for the Virginia Beach City Public Schools. Her segment will discuss state funding for school infrastructure and educational technology, teacher salary increases and school

safety. Kemper will be a regular on the program and will follow issues that affect our school system.

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Up close and personal

Sean Brickell: An evolving career

By Victoria Hecht

Editor

Public relations whiz Sean Brickell has written sports news, seen the world, toured with the likes of the Rolling Stones and The Eagles, written an authoritative encyclopedia on metal lunch boxes, appeared on national television and garnered his share of public relations honors.

President of Brickell and Partners Public Relations in Virginia Beach, the South Norfolk native calls his transition from reporter to rock 'n' roll promoter to award-winning PR practitioner an "evolution."

And he's perfectly happy at the place where this evolution has taken him.

He's a successful businessman, proud father of three, happily-married husband and, most recently, vice chairman of the Americans Region of Worldcom Public Relations Group. He's vice chairman for the latter for the second consecutive two-year term. The group was established to serve worldwide clients with on-site public relations support.

He had no idea a bachelor's degree in English would take him so far.

"Like a lot of people, it was an evolution — there was no master plan. I had a degree in English. What does one do with a degree in English? You teach it or you write," he reflected.

The Tidewater Community College and Old Dominion University graduate worked at *The Virginian-Pilot* for five years in the '70s, during which time he covered concerts, shared a weekly record review with Marvin Lake and worked "offbeat" sports beat under mentor George McClellan.

When the newspaper suggested he move to the crime beat, Brickell recoiled against the idea.

"I don't read about rapes, robberies and murders, so I knew I couldn't write about them. At that point I went to work for a record label," Brickell said.

The Beach resident joined Atlantic Records.

"And the first thing I did was go on tour with The Rolling Stones. It was kind of a shift in gears there," he said. "I also worked for Electra/Sylum and did The Eagles, Linda Ronstadt and that crowd all over the Mid-Atlantic."

It was an exciting time for the young man in his mid-20s, "but not the kind of a job that you retire from."

During this time Brickell developed a friendship with The Blues Brothers, playing "Rebel" to comedians John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd's "Jake" and "Elwood."

"I used to send E. Lee posters from Virginia — Robert E. Lee and stuff like that just to kid him. It was a different lifetime ago. John was too much fun. He knew he wasn't going to survive it all, but it was a real good time. The Belushi stories I could tell you sometime..." he mused.

Brickell's first run-in with legendary Rolling Stone rocker/guitarist Keith Richards was one to remember — or perhaps one they'd both like to forget.

"Keith is the most sincere of the whole bunch. My first introduction to the Stones scared me to death — I thought I was fired my first night on the job," he said.

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"Here was Keith, leaning against a stack of amplifier cases backstage and strumming on his guitar all by himself, a cigarette hanging out of his mouth. I walked up and said, 'Hey Keith. I'm Sean Brickell with Atlantic Records and if there's anything you need, let me know,'" Brickell shared.

Without uttering a word, Richards leaned forward into Brickell's face, passionately strumming his guitar.

Then he spoke.

"My mind was saying to myself, 'Self, why did you come over here? There's nowhere to hide.' Keith looked me right in the face and said, 'I've been doing this 25 bleeding years without your help. Mr. Atlantic Records. I'm going out onstage for the next three and a half hours and playing for 17,000 people. What are you going to be doing? How do you get your head together? How do you get your game face on? Do you see any of the rest of the Stones around here? I don't like to be bothered.'"

"I thought I had lost my job," Brickell mused. "How could I have done anything dumber than this?"

Fortunately, he kept the job — and neither ever mentioned the incident again.

After a few years on the road, Brickell was offered a job in public relations and returned home.

"The job was meshing together everything I'd done. I hadn't early trained in terms of public relations, but I had dealt with a lot of people, working in the news room and had some marketing skills from the record labels. It blended into a job that I'd never thought about."

He admits the transition was difficult.

"It was kind of hard at first, because once you've toured with The Rolling Stones, The Eagles and that kind of thing, you look at a life differently — something of a maverick approach maybe. Meanwhile, the agencies



around here in the '80s had a real established way of doing business and pretty traditional clients. It was difficult for me to get excited about it. It's December and you've got to think about the guy in the red suit. At Easter it's the bunny. In fall, back to school. I just had a different way of doing things."

In 1983, Brickell founded his full-service public relations business for clients looking for a new approach.

"A client looking for a good back-to-school promotion probably wouldn't be suited with us. But we do lots for Beachevents, Cellar Door, Cox Interactive Media, things like that," he explained.

Today the agency boasts great name recognition within the market, and Brickell is noted for his work in the field. In 1990, he received the silver anvil by the Public Relations Society of America. The following year he was selected Hampton Roads Public Relations Practitioner of the Year.

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"With a lot of hard work and a couple of lucky breaks things have worked out," he said. "We've been very fortunate, and it's a source of satisfaction to us."

Brickell operates on a simple, two-word philosophy that he credits for his success: "I care."

He also has a working motto. "Nobody is successful unless a lot of people want him or her to be successful," he explained. "You've got to care about the people you work with — you've got to care about their business and their best interests. Everybody has to win for anybody to win. That's the way it works."

Name: Sean Brickell.

Hometown: Long-time resident of Virginia Beach, native of South Norfolk.

Age: 47.

Occupation: Public relations counselor.

Marital Status: Happily married to Robin ("Bean").

Children: Alex, 19, college student; Lesley, 16, Cox High School; and Quenlin, 5, Cape Henry Collegiate.

Favorite movies: "ET," "Godfather I and II," "Unforgiven" and "Toy Story."

Magazines I read regularly: *Wired*, *L.A. Billboard*, *Surfer* and *Time*.

Favorite authors: Ezra Pound, John McPhee, Elmore Leonard and Don Peppers.

Favorite night out on the town: A concert with Bean, any style of music as long as it's excellent; or the Tides at Harbor Park with the whole family.

Favorite restaurants: Long-time local preferences: Ciola's, Steinhilber's, Isle of Capri and El Toro. Also, The Inn at Little Washington (best in the world) and Peter Luger's in Brooklyn.

Favorite meal and beverage: If I'm allowed to choose my last meal in this world, it will be fresh Silver Queen corn. Water is my favorite beverage, but also Coca-Cola, Schlitz beer and Crystal champagne.

What most people don't know about me: Well, Shania Twain and Elizabeth Hurley kept calling me at home even though I've told them repeatedly I'm happily married and not interested. Seriously, I'm the world's leading authority on metal lunch boxes. My book, "The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Metal Lunch Boxes," is available at any area book store.

Best thing about myself: I'm blessed with a lot of stamina.

Worst habit: I forget to take time off from work.

Pets: Rock and Roll, two English Springer Spaniels.

Hobbies: Collecting musical recordings and Tides baseball.

Ideal vacation: Ideal? Easy! That will start with surfing in Costa Rica all this winter, baseball spring training in Florida, on tour with Bruce Springsteen this summer, followed by fall surfing in Australia (their springtime).

Pet peeves: Disorganization, laziness, cold weather.

First job: Mowing neighbors' lawns.

Least liked job: Painting. I've heard it said that many times painters are drunks, and I honestly believe they have the right to be.

Favorite sports teams: Tides and Mel's. Baseball is the only team sport that interests me.

Favorite musicians: Van Morrison, Bruce Springsteen, Bruce Hornsby, Tom Waits, Miles Davis and Randy Newman.

Most embarrassing moment: I distinctly remember years ago a Coke machine took my money without giving up a drink. With dozens of people watching, I lost my temper and kicked the machine. When I did, the entire crotch of my pants split open.

Sometimes, you just lose no matter what you do.

How I would like to be remembered: I care.

If I received \$1 million: I'd hire Van Morrison and Tom Waits to perform five days of concerts for everyone I like. I'd buy unlimited travel in the entire first-class section of a Qantas 747 taking chums surfing throughout Australia and Indonesia. I'd take the family to a Major League Baseball game in every stadium.

And I'd just waste whatever was left over.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I'd probably relinquish it to a client. I've wasted enough of people's time discussing lunch boxes on Willard Scott's show and "Collecting Across America."

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Intuition — you can develop yours too

The Association for Research and Enlightenment in Virginia Beach presents a special Intuition Training Weekend on Jan. 29-31.

According to Edgar Cayce, intuitive ability is an innate talent of the soul within us all — but most don't realize how often they are tuning in to that psychic information. This workshop will help you identify and develop your intuitive ability.

Your guides through the weekend examinations and discoveries are two internationally acclaimed intuitives familiar to A.R.E. conferences. Having hosted her own Los Angeles television show "The Nat-

ural Psychic," clairvoyant Linda Schiller-Hanna has taught psychic development to thousands coast-to-coast.

Her work having been featured in several television programs as well as publications like *Woman's World*, *For Women* first, *Dimensions* and *Portfolio*, Mary M. Roach has given thousands of readings to clients from the United States to Japan. Roach's readings focus on inspiring individuals to become cocreative with their lives and learn their life purpose and soul mission.

To register call 428-3588, ext. 7400.

Chilly Polar Plunge set for Feb. 6 at oceanfront

Hundreds of hearty souls will brave the chilly Atlantic at the seventh annual Polar Plunge on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. on the Virginia Beach oceanfront in front of the Hilton at 8th and Atlantic streets.

More than 600 people from all over Virginia took the plunge last year to benefit Special Olympics Virginia, while several thousand spectators watched from the safety of the sand.

Since its inception in 1992, the Polar Plunge has raised more than \$300,000 for Special Olympics Virginia, a non-profit sports organization for children and adults with mental disabilities.

Plungers may pick up registration forms at any area Hardee's or Eckerd Drug stores or by calling Special Olympics at 1-800-932-GOLD. Participants must raise at least \$35 to participate and those who raise \$100 or more will re-

ceive a Polar Plunge sweatshirt.

Those who raise \$500 or more will receive a sweatshirt and a complimentary room at the Virginia Beach Hilton for the night of the plunge. All registered plungers will also have a chance to win a brand-new ThermoSpas hot tub.

The plunge raising the most money will win a three-night vacation package for two to the tropical Bahamas Princess Resort and Casino featuring non-stop flights from Richmond to Grand Bahama Island courtesy of Princess Bahamas Vacations. Some restrictions and additional charges apply. Teams of Plungers are welcome to participate.

Polar Plunge VII is sponsored by the Adventure Club, Eckerd, Hardee's, Princess Bahamas Vacations, ThermoSpas and the Virginia Beach Hilton. For more information call, 1-800-932-GOLD.

Virginia Flower and Garden Show declares early end to winter come Jan. 22-29

Thousands of gardeners, landscapers and good old-fashioned nature lovers will gather in Virginia Beach this month when the 1999 Virginia Flower and Garden Show declares an early end to winter on Jan. 22 at the Pavilion Convention Center.

In addition to the landscape and floral display gardens lectures, seminars and a garden marketplace with nearly 100 vendors from 16 states this year's show will feature some new surprises — a European-style "open-air" fresh flower market and a wild bird habitat. Floral photographer Heidemarie Bremer will arrive from Europe to conduct floral photography seminars and workshops throughout the weekend.

The show is also a great event

for families. Children will have the opportunity to visit the Children's Activity Center, where they learn about planting crafts for gardens, painting garden scenes and watching creatures that inhabit their gardens. The show also features children's tray gardens created by school children throughout Virginia. The Children's Activity Center is free for children under 12 and open throughout the weekend.

Adult admission to the Virginia Flower and Garden Show is \$7. Children under 12 are free. Free parking is available at Pavilion and at the 19th Street parking lot at the beachfront (free shuttle available between the 19th Street lot and Pavilion).

Film director Laszlo lectures at Regent

The Regent University School of Cinema-Television and Theatre Arts will host renowned cinematographer and director of photography Andrew Laszlo as part of the university's Hollywood/Regent Connection Jan. 15-16.

Laszlo, a 1947 emigrant from Hungary, has had a career spanning nearly 30 years in television and film. His list of accomplishments include such television shows as the original "Phil Silvers Show."

The seminar is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 15 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Regent University Library Auditorium. On Saturday, Jan. 16, the event will be held from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the United Artists Cinema on Fordingham Dr., Virginia Beach and in the Regent University Library Auditorium from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information on the Hollywood/Regent Connection contact Kim Wright, 226-4235.

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'Come Back, Little Sheba'

The Little Theatre of Virginia Beach opens the classic "Come Back, Little Sheba" by William Inge later this month. First-time director Jim Mitchell allows the audience to become voyeurs into the lives of Doc and Lola as they desperately try to relive their youth through a young co-ed tenant. Observe the birth pangs of Alcoholics Anonymous and empathize with the urges of amorous youth. The local production stars Mary Ann Arena as Lola and Bob Nelson as Doc, both pictured. Supporting them are Hunter Thomas and Arthur Fichter as the co-eds. The show opens Friday, Jan. 22 and closes Saturday, Feb. 13. Evening performances begin at 8 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Sunday matinees are at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$12 general admission, \$9 for senior citizens and students, and \$10 for matinees. For reservations call, 428-9233.

National Geographic photographer offers look 'Behind the Global Lens'

The World Affairs Council of Greater Hampton Roads and The Virginian-Pilot presents Karen Kasmauski, freelance photographer from National Geographic magazine. Her topic — "Behind the Global Lens." She will speak at a dinner program on Thursday, Jan. 21 at Old Dominion University's Webb Center.

For five years prior to joining National Geographic magazine, Kasmauski was staff photographer with the Virginian-Pilot/Ledger Star. There she won two Silver Awards and received special recognition in the Robert F. Kennedy Awards for Outstanding Coverage of the Disadvantaged.

An extended essay on Down's Syndrome won first place in the annual Pictures of the Year competition. Her National Geographic coverage on radiation won top honors in the same competitions as

well as awarding her special recognition in the Magazine Photographer of the Year Award.

Most recently, in October 1998, the cover of National Geographic magazine features Karen's photographic work for a special "millennium" series. As a regular contributing photographer for National Geographic since 1984, Kasmauski has produced 18 major stories and traveled 14 countries.

She has photographed complex medical and social issues including the effects of radiation, economic coverage of Japan. She was nominated for a National Magazine Award for her coverage on aging. In 1995, the National Geographic cover story of Ho Chi Minh was Kasmauski's.

Kasmauski conceived of and photographed the book "Hampton Roads" published by Howell Press. Kasmauski is also active in elec-

tronic media, having worked on several book/CD-ROM projects. Her Radiation photographs taken for National Geographic magazine played a major role in the award winning Corbis CD-ROM "Critical Mass: America's Race to Build the Atomic Bomb." She also contributed to several photographic projects on the World Wide Web, including National Geographic Interactive, @allas, and 24 Hours in Cyberspace.

The program will begin with a reception at 6:15 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and Kasmauski's presentation at 8 p.m. The cost for members, \$18 for non-members and \$10 for students. The presentation is free but reservations are necessary. For reservations or further information call, 464-0200. Reservation deadline is noon on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

National home builders president addresses local association meeting

Charles J. Ruma, president of the 190,000-member National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), will address impacting the industry at a special membership meeting of Tidewater Builders Association on Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Chesapeake Conference Center.

The growth issue is on the top of Ruma's national agenda and will likely be a main topic at the TBA meeting. One of his goals this year is to work on implementing the findings of NAHB's Sensible Growth Working Group. The

group was appointed to develop a comprehensive program that can help the housing industry address the growth issue.

Ruma is president and chief executive officer of Davidson Phillips Inc., one of the largest home building and land development companies in central Ohio. He has been an active advocate of the building industry on the local, state and national levels.

The cost to attend is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Advance

reservations are required by Thursday, Jan. 21; no refunds will be issued after that time.

For more information or to reserve a seat, call TBA's membership services and special councils department, 420-2434.

Tidewater Builders Association is a non-profit trade organization founded in 1953 to maintain high professional standards in the shelter industry and serve its nearly 800 member firms and the general public.

Back Bay supporters will meet

The next meeting of the Back Bay Restoration Foundation will be on Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Rescue Squad, 740 Virginia Beach Blvd.

Jim English, director of environmental health programs at ODU, will be the featured speaker. He will discuss field coliforms, an important water quality issue of Back Bay. A deli buffet will be available at 7 p.m. for a minimal charge and all interested individuals are invited to attend. For more information contact Steve Vinson, executive director, 412-4240.

First Landing Friends meet

The Friends of First Landing State Park will meet Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Visitor Center Conference Facility located at First Landing/Seashore State Park, 2500 Shore Dr. in Virginia Beach. Help create a new vision for the future for this National Natural Landmark and historic site.

Make reservations by calling 481-2131. The "First 40" to arrive will receive a free 1999 State Parks calendar.

Professor gives master class to music teachers

Clinician Robert Smith will present a master class Tuesday, Jan. 19 at Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 472 N. Battlefield Blvd. in Chesapeake for the Tidewater Music Teachers Forum. The morning begins at 9:30 a.m. with coffee, business meeting at 9:45 a.m. and master class at 10 a.m.

He was a recipient of Indiana State University's Caleb Mills Distinguished Teaching Award and is a former nationally-certified member of Music Teachers National Association.

Sierra Club Singles hikes, programs

Sierra Club Singles will meet for a hike at Seashore State Park Visitor's Center on Saturday, Jan. 23 at 10 a.m. Call Nancy, 464-4483 to register.

The next Sierra Club meeting will be on Monday, Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. at Virginia Beach Central Library. The topic is a slide program about Hoffer Creek Wildlife Preserve. Call 467-2775.

Also, a Sierra Club outing, a hike at Hoffer Creek Wildlife Preserve, is set for Saturday, Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. Southside can carpool from Virginia Beach Central Library at 9 a.m. Bring a snack, water and binoculars. Call 467-2775 to register. Vicky Schuffer from the Native Plant Society will lead.

Tidewater Theatre presents midwinter dreams

Join the actors and musicians of Tidewater Theatre for an evening of wonder and delight in "Midwinter Nite's Dreams."

Bring your night dreams, day dreams, visions and fantasies and watch Playback performers being them to life.

The play opens at the Heritage Store, 314 Laskin Rd. in Virginia Beach on Friday, Jan. 22 at 8 p.m. Admission for adults is \$8, students \$6 and children ages 6 to 12 is \$4.

Call 428-0110 to reserve your seats.

Hymnology course offered

The Center for Sacred Music at Virginia Wesleyan College will offer a six-week survey course in "Hymnology" on Tuesdays, beginning Jan. 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building on the campus at 1584 Wesleyan Dr.

The class may be taken for continuing education units for \$10, or the class may be audited for only \$25.

The survey course covers the

Judeo-Christian style of singing in worship from its origins in Hebrew worship through the chanting of the early Roman church, congregational music of the Reformation, European hymnody, the four streams of American hymnody and on to present-day hymn writers plus the style known as "Contemporary Christian" praise singing.

For further details or to register call the center, 455-3376.

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Beware firefighting soliciting scam

The Virginia Beach Fire Department has received information that some individuals operating in the Hampton Roads area are representing themselves as Virginia Beach, Norfolk, Chesapeake, Suffolk and Portsmouth firefighters and are engaging in a phone solicitation scam.

These individuals are offering "Firefighter Coloring Books" and requesting donations from various businesses throughout Hampton Roads. Citizens should be aware of this scam and refrain from donating any monies to this organization.

Any person who has been solicited by these individuals are asked to report the incident to their city's respective fire departments:

- Chesapeake, 382-6297;
- Norfolk Crime Line, 664-4040;
- Portsmouth Crime Line, 488-7777;
- Suffolk, 925-6357;
- Virginia Beach, 427-4228;
- Virginia Beach Crime Line, 427-0000.

Consumers should always be cautious of any kind of solicitation. Never give out any personal information over the telephone. When solicited over the telephone, ask that the information be sent to you through the mail and advise them you will review the information and make your decision at that time.

LEGAL NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH
In re Marriage of Joseph Christopher Skelton, Petitioner,
and Jennifer Suzanne Skelton, Respondent.

NO. 98 3 03377
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (SMPB)
TO THE RESPONDENT: Jennifer Suzanne Skelton

1. The petitioner has started an action in the above court requesting that your marriage be dissolved.
2. The petition also requests that the Court grant the following relief:

Disposal of property and liabilities.

3. You must respond to this summons by serving a copy of your written response on the person signing this summons and by filing the original with the clerk of the court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons (60 days after the 1st day of July, 1999), the court may enter an order of default against you, the court may, without further notice to you, enter a decree and approve or provide for other relief requested in this summons. In the case of a dissolution of marriage, the court will not enter the final decree until at least 90 days after service and filing. If you serve a notice of appearance on the undersigned person, you are entitled to notice before an order of default or a decree may be entered.

4. Your written response to the summons and petition must be on form WPF DR 01.0300, Response to Petition (Domestic Relations). Information about how to get this form may be obtained by contacting the clerk of the court, or by contacting the Office of the Administrator for the Court at (360) 705-5328, or from the Internet at the Washington State Supreme Court homepage:

<http://www.wa.gov/courts/>

5. If you wish to see the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be served on time.

6. One method of serving a copy of your response on the petitioner is to send it by certified mail with return receipt requested.

This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.100 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of Washington.
Dated: 12/23/98
Mark T. Patterson II
W.S.B.A. #13777
Attorney for Petitioner

FILE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT:
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Patterson & Micheli
3116 Rockefeller Ave.

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Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1169 Beautiful Street
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Joe Louis Waller and Clara Jeanette Waller dated November 5, 1993 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3299, page 612, securing a loan which was originally \$71,150.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 5, 1999 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot "L", in Block 1, as shown on the plat of Evergreen Terrace. Tax Map #2417-32-9414-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA. NP984316

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Between 8-11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.,
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
5242 Vestry Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from James G. Wheeler and Cynthia E. Wheeler dated May 14, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3739, page 1989, securing a loan which was originally \$170,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 28, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 77, Block A, as shown on that certain plat known as "Subdivision of Fairfield, Section Five." Tax Map #1466-68-0350-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$16,900.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional. NP984237

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Between 8-11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc. and/or Draper & Goldberg PLLC
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1824 Onyx Lane
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from William E. Calvert and Mathildur K. Calvert dated March 4, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3592, page 0625, securing a loan which was originally \$94,734.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 5, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot #11, as shown on that certain plat entitled "SUBDIVISION OF ROCK CREEK, PHASE 4A." Tax Map #1485-23-8003-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$9,200.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA. NP984314

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Substitute Trustee
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Public Notice

Virginia:
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, January 26, 1999 at 6:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Gee-Cee Construction Group LLC for Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District and A-12 Apartment District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on certain property located at the northern extremity of North Garnett Point Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium & high density that is compatible with townhouse and multi-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 15.205 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: 2. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess House, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for housing for the aged on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road, 180 feet north of Baxter Road. Said parcel contains 1.14 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Rock Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a child care education center in a church at the northeast intersection of Kempsville Road and Manor Drive. Said parcel is located at 580 Kempsville Road and contains 7.72 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Armada/Hoffler Holding Company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast corner of Wesleyan Drive and Diamond Springs Road. The

proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for business and retail land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density that is compatible with single-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 12.8753 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: 5. An Ordinance upon Application of Manorhouse Retirement Center, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for an assisted living facility on certain property located on the south side of Wesleyan Drive beginning at a point 760 feet more or less west of Broad Meadows Boulevard. Said parcel contains 4.770 acres more or less. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Darlene McNeice Castellano for a Conditional Use Permit for a home occupation (housing for the aged) on Lot 3, Block 3, section 3, Lake Shores. Said parcel is located at 5249 N. Lake Road and contains 20,000 square feet. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Motiva Enterprises, LLC, for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station on Lots 4 & 5, Diamond Lake Estates. Said parcel is located at 5793 Northampton Boulevard and contains 40,000 square feet. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE: 8. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John S. Georgiou. Property is located on the northeast corner of Independence Boulevard and Cullen Road. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

STREET CLOSURE: DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL

9. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach for a Conditional Use Permit for a line-of-sight relay device (wireless communication antennae) on property located at the northern extremity of Chantry Drive. Said parcel is located at 701 Chantry Drive and contains 15,000 square feet of a 9.08 acre parcel. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

10. An Ordinance upon Application of S and R Properties for a Conditional Use Permit for a bingo hall on certain property located on the south side of Cleveland Street beginning at a point 250 feet more or less west of Aragona Boulevard. Said parcel contains 4.81 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE

11. An Ordinance upon Application of Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Princess Anne Road and S. Independence Boulevard. The proposed zoning classification change of Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban employment use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.08 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

12. An Ordinance upon Application of Barry Behman for a Conditional Use Permit for an addition of a commercial recreational facility (family billiards) on the east side of Princess Anne Road, south of Parliament Drive. Said parcel is located at 5610 Princess Anne Road and contains 9.96 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS: DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

13. Application of Buddhist Association of Hampton Roads for the modification of conditions attached to the December 9, 1997 approval by City Council. The modification is to clarify the design and building materials for the monk's residence, which will be constructed prior to the temple. Several changes are also being proposed to the approved site plan. Property is located at 4915 Bonney Road and contains 2.44 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

14. Application of Sue D. France for an enlargement in use on property located at 1741 London Bridge Road. Said parcel contains 1.51 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.
Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AE
City Clerk
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Public Notice

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912 Twinbrook Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kevin D. McCoy and Nicole J. McCoy dated October 30, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3675, page 1696, securing a loan which was originally \$68,238.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 4, in Block WW, as shown on that certain plat entitled "OAK SPRINGS, SECTION 1, PART 8, PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH." Tax Map #1486 50 7889 000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,700.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: VA. NP984254

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Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
341 Opal Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Donna L. Borgia dated March 26, 1998 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3863, page 1784, securing a loan which was originally \$83,027.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:04 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot L, Block 19 as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of ARAGONA VILLAGE, Section Thirteen." Tax Map #1477-06-4237.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

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TRUSTEE SALE
456 Hill Meadow Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust, from Dallas W. Williams, Jr. dated June 24, 1998 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3908, page 1853, securing a loan which was originally \$44,250.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on January 22, 1999 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 29, in Block B, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Re-Subdivision of Lots 1-27 Hilltop Suburb." Tax Map #2407-96-9732.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

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Public Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
Middlesex Division
Docket No. 99A0004-T1
Citation G.L.c. 210 § 3
In the Matter of Jillian Kathryn Humrich

To any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.
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FROM THE EARTH. Vickie Shufler knows how to find food even on the dry, sandy environment of a barrier spit. She will offer wild food foraging expeditions at False Cape this spring.

Photo by Jane Howe

Naturalists will offer food foraging workshops

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Participants in her upcoming workshop will forage for edible food in her yard and in the nearby woods and swamps. Then, with the help of organic farmer Michele Pitrone, Shufler will show the guests how to prepare the foods as salads, cooked greens or flavorings for other foods.

"That's sheep sorrel," said Shufler, pointing to a tiny plant with elongated leaves. "I sometimes put in juice drinks or in potato soups." She often finds her dinner in her yard, she explained, and "I like to eat, and I like to make things taste good. I think I'm a pretty good cook."

You'd be surprised at the uses a trained naturalist can find for the most common plants. The tall, spindly plant that produces yellow blooms during winter warm snaps, usually seen along ditchbanks in open fields, and commonly referred to as "weeds," are actually wild mustard.

Chickweed, the bane of suburban homeowners, is a type of cress that's also excellent in salads, Shufler added.

Some common weeds that homeowners have been conditioned to believe they need to eradicate are also useful because they attract insects necessary for pollination, according to Shufler. Others have some medicinal value, and that's why inexperienced foragers need to be careful when using the plants. "There's a fine line between food and the medicinal when you get out into the wild," Shufler said. "You need to be careful because you don't want to treat yourself for something you don't need to be treated for. A lot of people make teas from yarrow, but I know that it's medicinal so I approach it with caution."

Horse mint, another common wild plant, is also being studied as a possible remedy for Alzheimer's Disease and other wild plants are said to cleanse the liver, soothe unsettled stomachs or clear the sinuses. If you need relief from a mild illness, Shufler said, it's okay to use herbs as long as you do it carefully.

"I believe that if you eat properly you shouldn't get sick, but some-

times you do just get sick, so you can use herbs for remedies," she said.

Native Americans in this area used the wild plants for both food and medicines, but much of that knowledge has been lost, Shufler said because no written record was kept of it. She's spent her life trying to retrieve as much knowledge as possible, and she's willing to share what she knows.

She grew up in the Kentucky mountains, where she hunted for wild berries and other fruits, but "I began to do it at a more serious level after I took a class in foraging in college."

As a work-study student at the University of Louisville, she studied and worked under a botany professor and frequently accompanied her on foraging expeditions throughout Kentucky. She became interested in the coastal plants after she married and moved to Virginia Beach.

"When I first came here it took me awhile before I could get hooked up with people who were interested," she said. Then, "she heard about programs at the North Carolina Aquarium and at other sites in eastern North Carolina" and that introduced her to things that grow here on the Coast.

During the early 1980s, Shufler began taking groups to False Cape State park for hikes and other nature-oriented activities. "At first it was just an experimental thing," she said. "I did it with my friends because I was just trying to see how it would go."

The "nature weekends" took off and expanded into a variety of activities, including kayaking trips and wild food foraging expeditions.

If winter isn't your idea of the ideal time to be outdoors, Shufler's offering several weekend outings that will focus on wild food gathering this spring at that park. She also edits "The Wild Foods Forum," a bi-monthly newsletter from her Blackwater home.

For more information about the upcoming events, call 421-3929 or e-mail Shufler at wildfood@infni.net.

Kempsville Rd. rezoning OK'd for multi-unit rental property

By Lee Cahill

City Council Reporter

RH Builders Inc. has been granted a rezoning on Kempsville Road near Centerville Turnpike which will permit the construction of a 120-unit multi-family rental project.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf objected to three-story rental property in Kempsville, one of the most congested areas in the city. She asked why the 23.7 acre property could not be developed for business parks and offices as recommended in the city's comprehensive land use plan.

Andrew Heatwole, representing the applicant said that the zoning, R-3D residential duplex district was already in place, and the rezoning request would place a PD-H2 planning unit development overlay on

the property. He said that office and industrial use is not viable for the property.

The property will be developed into 70 two-bedroom units and 48 three-bedroom units with no subsidies. Rents will be from \$610 to \$625 for three-bedroom units.

An open area will be provided with a tot lot, picnic tables and fixed grills, Heatwole said.

Because of the shape of the property, Planning Director Robert Scott said, it would be difficult to develop the property unless it were combined with adjoining properties.

Voting against the zoning request were Mayor Meyera Oberndorf, Councilman Don Weeks, and councilwoman Nancy Parker.

Land House tradition steps into past

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host of superb local musicians and by the Princess Anne High School and Bayside High School madrigal singers.

"I think it's the one program that we do every year that gives you the real flavor of the 18th-century — where you can almost imagine what it was like to be back in time," said Vicki Harvey, Land House museum education specialist.

"People think it's all over with New Years maybe, but here in Virginia Beach it's not over until Twelfth Night at the Francis Land House," laughed Harvey.

"It's very popular," said Harvey of the Land House 12th Night celebration.

"Last year was the first that we started doing advanced tickets sales. It had always been 'first come, first served.' People would come to the door, buy their ticket and be assigned a tour time."

"What was happening," explained Harvey, "was that it was just getting so big that it wasn't the comfortable, homey kind of feeling that you wanted."

"Because the crowds were just so large, we thought we could better serve our customers if we started doing advanced ticket sales," said Harvey. "It's a much more pleasurable experience for the people who are here."

"It's our premier program. When people think of the Francis Land House, they think 'flax' and they think 'Twelfth Night,'" Harvey asserted. "It's the one [program] that people remember us by, and it makes a lot of new friends for us."

Each year the Land House staff and volunteers endeavor to formulate a program with a slightly different focus, but certain featured attractions have remained constant.

"The dancers, they're always here. We're not going to mess with that," Harvey maintained. "That's always a very important part of it."

Many of the Land House's faithful Twelfth Night visitors make it a distinct point to attend this special event to bring a kind of closure to the Christmas season.

"Everything is hustle and bustle and let's get ready. And now here it is Christmas...open the gifts...New Year's Eve...and they don't want it to be over," said Harvey. "Yet it is. And there's this big let down, but they know that they have Twelfth Night at the Francis Land House."

"That's a nice way to wrap up the whole season. Some people attend every year. It's just part of what they do," she explained.

Local folks expect to come, have a good time, and learn something new because the play changes every year. Each year the focus of the play and related information changes enough to intrigue repeat visitors.

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Henley, who attended a meeting with the residents said that the neighborhood did not take a vote on the issue, but were concerned about the size of the facility, especially those whose property immediately adjoins the center site. She said they were concerned that the area is becoming a detention area of the city. She said she did not get a clear feeling about what the majority wanted although some said they understood the need.

McClanan, who also met with the residents, said that the city is lucky that the neighborhood was so cooperative. She said that some said that they understood the need, but that by changing the role of the facility, the facility was being



GETTING INTO THE ACT. Princess Anne High School Madrigals, outfitted in period garb, entertained Land House guests at the Twelfth Night bonfire.

Photo by Bob Thompson

A conscious, yet subtle effort, is made to relate some historical facts during the program in order that visitors leave thinking about local history.

Based upon existent records of Francis Land IV and V, the Land House staff and volunteers created an engaging series of "fourth window" scenarios in which guests observed members of the Land family and their servants as they dealt with the historical events of 1762.

For the Land family, 1762 was not the best of years. Francis Thoroughgood Land had recently died leaving two orphaned children. In the 18th century when the head of a household died, the children were declared orphans even if the mother was still alive. Young Francis Land, about age 13, became the legal heir of the property.

Eventually, a guardian would be appointed for young Francis and his sister Elizabeth, but for this Twelfth Night, the youth was the head of the household and the host for the evening's celebration.

The spirit of the recently departed Francis Thoroughgood Land still watched over his family's celebration on this Twelfth Night.

As silent, unseen observers, Land House visitors seemed to relish sharing the joys and concerns of the Lands, their servants, and their friends in an historically accurate context.

"To me, that's what makes this place so exciting. People that come here truly enjoy it, and they enjoy what we do for them," said Harvey. "That makes it well worthwhile."

"We do have a good time. Our volunteers that do this and the Friends of the Francis Land House that provide the breads and the spreads and the Twelfth Night

cake. They love what they do," Harvey acknowledged. "And because they do, that comes across to the visitor."

"You just can't put a price or quantify what that means to the visitor," she said. "They come here and are treated so nicely by our volunteers and our friends."



GOOD NIGHT! Vicki Harvey of the Land House was all smiles during the Twelfth Night festivities.

This Twelfth Night program at the Land House appeared to provide something to accommodate a wide range of guests' interests. From elegant period costumes to colonial gossip, there seemed to be something special for everyone.

Visitor Lu Wiley was impressed with the quality of the program as well as the merit of the music.

"We've had a wonderful time,

and every aspect of it was excellent," Wiley declared. "One of the real joys was hearing — when the formal dancers upstairs were doing their reel and square dances — the recorder."

"The recorder player was one of the finest...in the state of Virginia," Wiley said. "It's wonderful to have that quality of musician performing in a situation like this. It's wonderful!"

Johnni Miller has faithfully baked the Twelfth Night cake for the last twelve years. Each year Miller has conscientiously conducted a lima bean in her rich, tasty creation. This year, Daniel Ramsey found that bean in his portion of Twelfth Night cake.

"I was the king. I found the bean in the 12th night cake...a hard lima bean," said Ramsey.

"If a man finds it, he gets to wear the crown," he explained. "If a lady finds it, she is the one who is supposed to cook the cake for the next year's celebration," he added.

Dressed in period attire, Mark Reed, Land House administrator, was also involved; he greeted arriving guests and helped to tend the fiery cressets on the Land House lawn. In addition, Reed seemed to embrace the spirit of the Twelfth Night festivities.

"It gives us a chance to do a lot of educational things as well as a lot of fun things," Reed said. "When you combine those two, it makes a great program."

"It's sold out, so you can see what the public thinks of it," he commented.

"It's something that we've done every year since we've been open as an historic house museum," recalled Reed. "So this is our 13th annual Twelfth Night. It really is our premier program."

City supports 90-bed detention facility

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changed.

Henley questioned staff about what burdens would be placed on the citizens with a 90-bed facility. She said she would like programs that would reduce the need for a large facility in the future. She said that she was worried about a facility that would be greatly overcrowded, but hoped that the city never needed to go to a 105-bed facility.

She said the city needed to do something about prevention and was worried that the city would have such an overcrowded facility, "that we can't do these things."

E. Dean Block, director of management, said there is no legal way council can say how many juveniles will be placed in the facilities. Only the court has that jurisdiction. From conversations with

the state, he understood that the state is concerned only with security and that if the city created a program rich in therapy, the city would have to pay the cost.

He said the difference in operating costs during the first year between a 75-bed and a 90-bed facility would be \$550,000. He agreed that the city would be better served if that money were spent on prevention.

Block said that a 60-bed facility would be about 25-feet long or 36,000 square feet, about the size of the new Princess Anne Post Office. A 90-bed facility would be about 400 feet long, or according to councilwoman Margaret Eure about 200 feet less than the Home Depot.

Block said the building can be

added on to in the future, but adjustments to the core — the common areas — would have to be made. He added that the rate of incarceration has increased faster than the crime rate among juveniles.

Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr. supported the 90-bed facility saying that adding on later will cost more.

Councilman Harold Heischbier said that most of the problems at jails result from overcrowding, but that "we're going to need all the help we can in Richmond to get the 50-50 funding."

After the vote, councilman Don Weeks asked that the staff look in preventive programs elsewhere and in the city and determine how many work.

Rabies case confirmed; vaccination clinics set

The Virginia Beach Department of Public Health received confirmation that a raccoon tested positive for rabies last week. The raccoon was found dead in the backyard of a resident in the Bow Creek section of Princess Anne Plaza.

This is the first rabid animal to be identified in Virginia Beach since calendar year, making a total of 81 cases since the epidemic began in 1992. It is not known whether the resident's dog had killed the raccoon, however, because the owners allowed the dog's rabies vaccination to expire more than six months ago, the owner had to have

the dog euthanized.

Dr. Venita Newby-Owens, director of the Virginia Beach Department of Public Health, urges citizens to protect themselves and their pets by:

■ Having their dogs and cats vaccinated regularly;

■ Reporting all animal exposures (bites and scratches) and;

■ Avoiding contact with wild animals and strays.

The importance of this issue is underscored by the recent death of a 29-year-old Virginia resident from rabies infection, the first human death in this state since 1953. Au-

thorities estimate that only two-thirds of the dogs and cats in the United States have been vaccinated against rabies, leaving many animals susceptible to rabies infection.

Jan. 17-23 has been designated as Rabies Awareness Week.

Many local veterinarians are offering reduced cost rabies vaccinations in their clinics in an attempt to provide a barrier from this deadly disease to the human population.

For \$6 per shot, pet owners can provide effective rabies protection for their pets. Last year, during Ra-

bies Awareness Week, 4,234 dogs, cats and ferrets were vaccinated by participating veterinarians in the Southeastern Region of Virginia.

"We believe this success is largely due to the increased number of veterinarians willing to participate in this endeavor and know that lives have been saved because of the increase in vaccinated animals," says Vanessa Baird, rabies coordinator for the Virginia Beach Department of Public Health.

For more information call, 518-2646 or your local veterinarian.

Beach school modernization plan depends heavily on lottery money

Public workshop

The city of Virginia Beach will hold a public workshop for Virginia Beach citizens and other stakeholders to share their ideas concerning planning issues that affect the future of the Princess Anne Road corridor. The information received from this workshop, hosted by the Virginia Beach Departments of Planning and Public Works, will be reviewed and used to develop corridor policies and plans that reflect a shared community vision for this area.

The workshop is set for Thursday, Feb. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Kellam High School cafeteria, 2323 Holland Rd. A follow-up public information meeting will be held later to present recommendations from the draft corridor planning report prior to submitting it to the city's Planning Commission and City Council for their consideration.

For further information, call the Virginia Beach Department of Planning at 427-4621.

Author workshop

Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, 19th Street and Pacific Avenue, will host renowned author Dr. Charles V. Bryant, author of "Rediscovering our Spiritual Gifts, during a workshop on spiritual gifts from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 23. Bryant will also be guest preacher at the 8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services on Sunday, Jan. Registration for the workshop is \$15 per person. The registration fee includes materials and a box lunch. All services are free and open to the public. A nursery is provided for evening and Sunday services. Call 428-7727 for further information.

Audition notice

The Little Theatre of Virginia Beach will hold auditions for its next production, "And The World Goes 'Round," on Monday, Jan. 25 and Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. This is a musical review by Kander and Ebb, the most recent recipients of the Kennedy Center Honors. Show tunes include selections from "Kiss of the Spider Woman," "Cabaret" and "Chicago."

Needed are men and women aged 20 to 55. Bring a prepared-up-temp and/or ballad to sing. Accompanist will be provided. The director is Kay Burcher. Call the theatre for more information, 428-9233.

Fishy fun

The Virginia Marine Science Museum continues its Fishy Fun for Preschoolers program this winter. Fishy Fun's "EGGstravaganza!" will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., or 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the museum's main building. Designed for children ages 3 to 5, the program will focus on many different types of animals and their eggs.

Cost of the event is \$5 for museum members and \$7 for non-members. Parents are requested to attend (no charge for adults). Call 437-6007 for more information and registration (specify time).

The Virginia Marine Science Museum is at 717 General Booth Boulevard, just south of Rudee Inlet in Virginia Beach. For more information call, 425-FISH (3474).

Colonial dress-up

Bring your "pudding" head" to the Francis Land House Historic Site and Gardens to dress in clothing typical for very young children in the 17th and 18th centuries. The program will be held Tuesday, Feb. 2 and again Tuesday, March 2. After trying on several articles of clothing, participants will make and decorate a "pudding cap" to take home. The program is for preschoolers aged 3 to 5 and an adult. The cost is \$2 per child; no charge for accompanying adults. Call 431-4000 to pre-register. The Francis Land House is located at 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd. in Virginia Beach.

Visitation Day

Old Dominion University's Office of Admission will host Monarch Visitation Day Saturday, Jan. 23 for high school juniors and seniors, as well as for students who have already applied to Old Dominion or plan to transfer. Parents are also welcome.

The day will begin at 9 a.m. with check-in at Webb University Center, followed by a presentation by Old Dominion President James V. Koch and a campus tour.

Participants are then invited to a lunch in the Webb Center Cafe starting at noon. For those interested in engineering and technology majors, a special presentation will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. There is no cost for the program or the lunch, but advance registration is requested; call 683-4845 or 1-800-348-7926, or register via e-mail at admit@odu.edu.

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

A City Council/School Board committee has come up with a funding plan for the modernization of the city's 17 oldest schools which depends heavily on lottery proceeds Gov. James Gilmore has proposed to be returned to localities for education, including construction.

If the 1999 General Assembly does not approve Gilmore's proposal, the committee will have to rethink the issue of how to provide modernization money which the city had anticipated raising with a real estate tax increase.

In a referendum in November, however, Virginia Beach voters rejected a \$57.5 million bond issue that would have required a real estate tax increase of up to 2.8 cents per \$100 valuation.

Under the new funding plan proposed by the school modernization committee — the committee consists of Rosemary Wilson, School Board vice chairman, and board member Arthur Tate and City Council members Margaret Eure and Linwood Branch and was appointed shortly after the defeat of the referendum — lottery funds expected over a 10-year period (\$52,266,986) along with \$3,051,088 in state construction funds approved by the last General Assembly come close to making up for the lost referendum funds.

The committee's scenario calls for a \$131,994,354 modernization program for the 17 schools — the original program called for a \$132.8 million cost — that would take eight years to complete compared to six years anticipated previously. It includes \$59,229,218 in charter

bonds, \$9,747,088 in school reversions (unused budgeted operating funds at year's end) capital improvement program balances, \$1.5 million; \$6,201,471 in maintaining a one million dollar per year revenue policy pay-as-you-go funding in the school capital improvement program which would gradually be shifted to operation and maintenance of modernized schools, and the state funds.

At a joint meeting of the School Board and City Council Tuesday, Branch said that after the referendum, "We knew there had to be another way." He added, however, that the problem won't be solved if the lottery money is available only for the biennium. If lottery money does not materialize, he said, the committee will have to be called back.

Historically, the commonwealth has

not contributed to school construction. For the first time, the General Assembly last year approved school construction money resulting in \$2.46 million for Virginia Beach for fiscal 1998-99.

After the November referendum, the governor announced his program to return lottery profits to localities for education including construction. The proposal would result in \$17.4 million to Virginia Beach for the 1998-99 and 1999-2000 biennium.

In computing the lottery proceeds, city and school staffs built in a two percent annual decrease.

How reliable the receipt of state funds is over the long run, according to the committee's policy report, depends on

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Curtain falls on Dominion Theatre

Last dinner theatre in area closes; dream stays alive

By Aune Kirk
Correspondent

Dressed in sweats and blue jeans, Gary Spell and Catherine Segars sat quietly on the overstuffed couch in the foyer of The Founder's Inn and Conference Center last week. That was unusual for the bubbling, dynamic duo who have won the hearts of thousands of fans who have visited the hotel's theater during the last few years.

Spell, the director of Dominion Theater, and Segars, director of publicity, are usually happily greeting people, eager to share with them the hidden delights of their play. But after eight years, the award-winning theater had closed the previous weekend, and the staff was cleaning out the office and tearing down the final set.

Within moments of sitting down, Spell's quick eye caught the movement of figures across the room. He stared, riveted on the men in dark suits with briefcases standing outside the theater door. He waited, anxiously searching some for some sign of hope.

But Segars wasn't so optimistic. She just shook her head.



COMIC RELIEF. As the curtain falls on Dominion Theater, director Gary Spell, left, tries to lighten the moment while tearing down the set for "It's a Wonderful Life." Staff members Caroline Nichols and Chris Williams savor the moment.

"There's nothing they can do to us that we would surprise us now," she said. "The worst is over."

Calling it quits is never easy for anyone, but for the six full-time employ-

ees and the eight to 15 people who made their primary living from the theater, it was torture.

The group had bonded as a family, sharing goals, dreams, interests, idiosyncrasies and creativity. They celebrated

birthdays together, pooled money for a staff member who needed new tires and prayed together before each production. Now everyone was looking for a job.

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Birds of a feather: Decoy carving is family's tradition, way of life



ALL IN THE FAMILY. It takes skill and a healthy respect for the art to carve decoys. Patricia Johnson and Susan Waterfield have been doing it for years. They operate Back Bay Decoys and Folk Art in Creeds.

Folk artists' work is also a thriving Creeds business

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

Patricia Johnson's small hands skillfully guide the slab of soft Atlantic Cedar under the sharp band saw.

She carefully but confidently cuts along the penciled-in lines, then takes the dove-shaped wood back to the work bench for the second step of the process.

"Now, we have a carved pattern that we put over it," she said, taking a small cardboard pattern off of the cluttered table. "We design all of our own patterns. I think that makes us a little different."

The "we" that Johnson is referring to is herself and her husband Jac who, with the help of Patricia's sister, Susan Waterfield, operate Back Bay Decoys and Folk Art from their family homestead in Creeds.

The three work side by side, 13 hours daily, turning out decoys and folk art from a small workshop behind the farmhouse where the girls grew up, and where Patricia and Jac now live.

Like most folk artists, the three are largely self-taught, but Patricia and Susan are really carrying on a family tradition. Their father, John Paxson,

established the business, then Patricia and Jac decided to expand it when they took over the business about eight years ago.

What started as a local operation has grown into a thriving enterprise that's won the family recognition in such nationwide publications as *Country Living*.

"Here's a picture of doves, just like this one I'm making now," said Patricia, pointing to an issue of that magazine lying on the table, then holding up the detailed dove carving that she had been working on earlier. There's a fine line sometimes between decoys and folk art, and these doves could be classified as either, she explained.

"We started doing mourning doves as decoys, but somebody liked them and asked us to paint them white, so now we make white ones," she explained.

"We do a couple of retail shows a year," she said, but they sell primarily to wholesalers and, although decoys were originally utilitarian, they're primarily bought now by collectors.

"Decoy carving was a way of life for many people at one time," said Susan.

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Commentary

CARING FOR EVERYONE

75 years of United Way

The helping hand with outstretched palm cradling a single person and rainbow of joy overhead had become synonymous with good deeds.

This is the logo of the United Way of South Hampton Roads.



United Way

For 75 years this umbrella organization has been making life of South Hampton Roads easier for others.

From helping the hungry and homeless to developing programs for youths, assisting the elderly to strengthening the family, or rehabilitating the disabled and assisting in emergencies, the United Way of South Hampton Roads has been a leading force for change. One in five people receive help each year through United Way-certified agencies. Because administrative costs are low, more than 85 cents of every dollar goes to provide 160 vital services in this community.

Considering the annual campaign raised more than \$16 million, surpassing its \$15.9 million goal, that's a lot of money to help a lot of people.

Since its roots in 1923, United Way has been a force in improving the local quality of life.

The Norfolk Community Fund was organized that year with Judge Thomas H. Wilcox as president. The first campaign raised \$295,000, more than \$3,000 over its goal. During the Depression, monies raised were consistently lower than \$200,000. Supplementary campaigns helped bridge the gap.

In 1957, the now "Norfolk Community Chest" merged with the Community Chest of Virginia Beach and Princess Anne County to become the United Communities Fund (UCF). UCF joined the Portsmouth Area United Fund to conduct the first Four Cities United Way Campaign. In 1979, the UCF Board of Directors changed its name to the Four Cities United Way. The United Way of South Hampton Roads was not established until 1984 and included the cities of Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Virginia Beach. Suffolk joined in 1985, and Isle of Wight County came on board in 1992.

Today the United Way provides a continuum of community care. Here in South Hampton Roads, corporate and civic leaders and thousands of individuals from all walks work together to improve quality of life through their contributions.

This month United Way celebrates 75 years of caring with an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new headquarters. It's a fresh start for more decades of service. Congratulations, United Way, for all you are and all you do. — V.E.H.

Baby's cold KO's parents

What's more pitiful than a sick baby? New parents trying to cope with a sick baby.

I've always heard that a baby's immune system is pretty hearty until the three-month mark, at which time the natural immunity factors received from Mom while in the womb start to wear off.

Almost as if on deadline, I decided to come down with his first cold and earache at 13 weeks. Talk about timing!

Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

For a few days Evan and I joked about our offspring's "cute" snoring as he slumbered in peaceful dreamland.

Unfortunately, that cute "snoring" was actually the beginnings of a nasty cold. Mitch was congested and struggling to breathe—so much for "saving some logs."

By Tuesday, just two days after his christening, signs of illness were evident. Mitch was spitting up his food regularly and seemed fussy. His usual bubbly self was replaced with an irritable, unhappy fellow. And there was no mistaking the wheezing and congestion.

"I think you'd better take him to the doctor," warned Miss Linda, his sister, when I picked him up that evening.

A trip to the doctor's office confirmed the diagnosis.

"What are we going to do for the poor, little man?" Evan and I won-

dered that night.

Now Mitch wasn't the only one fretting. Mom and Dad were worried enough to make up for any concerns that the grandparents, aunts and uncles might have.

"We have to have a battle plan," I said. "What are we going to do?" "First we had to stock our arsenal. A trip to the drugstore yielded an antibiotics prescription, vaporizer/humidifier, saline drops for baby's nose, an aspirin (the blue bulb more commonly referred to as a "snot sucker"), vapor bath and some aspirin (the latter being for Mom and Dad's headaches over the crisis).

Once the arsenal was stocked, we had to draw up a battle plan.

"OK, so who's going to stay up with him tonight?" I wondered. "We decided to do tag team—Evan watching the baby one night and me on another."

We also got the "sick room" ready. Since Mitch's favorite place to slumber when he's grouchy is on top of the running clothes dryer, we set his carseat up there, plugged in the humidifier and hit "start" on both.

For the next three nights Evan and I took turns camping out on the futon in the den, just steps from the dryer, to turn the cycle back to start when it neared the end of a run.

Then came the inevitable. Evan and I got sick.

"It's going to happen now that you're parents—you're going to get everything your kids have," veteran parents warned us.

On Friday night Mitch's illness peaked, just as ours was starting to become bad.

Somehow we managed to ride the storm that night. By Saturday morning the baby was starting to look pink and healthy again, resting peacefully in his carseat atop the "dryer flyer" (our pet name for his favorite spot).

Meanwhile, that day our illnesses started to really kick in—swollen

throats, running noses, congestion, wheezing.

I thank God for grandparents, who helped us get through the weekend with some rest.

Even when a child is sickly, grandparents have the amazing capacity to look past illness and dispel any fears of getting it. A visit with a grandchild, even a sick grandchild, is a treat in their eyes.

Now that the storm has passed, Evan and I have learned some lessons.

It was, after all, our child's first illness. I admit we were probably incredibly neurotic—fussing at every little sneeze and wheeze.

Lesson one: Never approach a waiting child with a "snot sucker." After the first attempt at aspirating Mitch's nose on my own, I learned it takes two to hold down one 12-pound child as he thrashes about. And never, ever do it when he's crying—try to suck the mucus from his nose when he's asleep.

Lesson two: Beware sick baby poop. When a child is on antibiotics, his releases takes on a color and consistency that is not of this earth. Approach it with caution. Be especially wary if you change the diaper, lest you end up with a handful of something that's not the most pleasant thing in the world.

Lesson three: Keep plenty of bibs on hand when baby is ill. Mitch spit up so much that bibs were filthy in moments. After a day, with all his bibs and burp clothes in the hamper, I was using my shirt, paper towels, even my hand (yuck) to catch the stuff.

I know that this little cold was just a warm-up to a lifetime of sicknesses, bumps and bruises. But somehow I feel stronger and more capable for having helped our "little man" come through it OK.

Now all Evan and I have to do is get better...easier said than done!

'High crimes, misdemeanor' too open to interpretation

Regardless of which side you are on in the Clinton impeachment case, it will be hard not to admit that the House prosecutors did a pretty good



The Real World

By R.J. Sessions, senior columnist

job in presenting enough evidence, circumstantial though it may be, to remove Bill Clinton from office.

That is, unless you ask a scumbaglike T.C.D. Kennedy, who looks like a beached whale left out in the sun

too long.

Teddy says, "If you're looking at making a hard-nose judgment on it, I don't think it changed my mind."

Sadly, Kennedy be right. The Senate is made up of others of his ilk who have no values or morals and are afraid to make a judgment that might be unpopular at the time.

Unfortunately, our great forefathers gave us the words "high crimes and misdemeanors," but forgot to tell us what that meant. Now every jack-leg lawyer, so-called legal expert and MSNBC legal analyst gives us a different version every day. It's just according to whose ox is being gored at the time.

I have no way to determine if Bill Clinton committed crimes that reach "high crimes and misdemeanors," but I do know from the evidence on record that he committed some depraved, deplorable, kinky acts that should have been saved for his wife in their own bedroom in the White House instead of the Oval Office, which belongs to the people.

It appears now that after the defense completes their case next week that there might be some "live" witnesses called. I don't think they will cause Clinton much trouble other than to let the public hear with their own ears what kind of man we now have for a president. He tried his best with the help of some of the smartest and highest paid lawyers in the country to deny a citizen her rights to a fair hearing on a sexual harassment case and would have prevailed had it not been for the U.S. Supreme Court.

It is frightening to think that they came so close to obstructing justice. I felt that when O.J. Simpson walked after murdering his wife and her friend that the jury system as we know it today was shot to hell and now Clinton has almost subverted a citizen's rights to have her day in court. What the country needs now is some way to discipline future presidents who may get out of control.

Welcome to the real world.

Virginia's Juvenile Justice System: Real reform, real hope

In 1999, we celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Virginia's juvenile justice system. The credit for its success is largely due to the commitment and hard work of concerned citizens, law enforcement professionals, educators, and non-profits who have put forth a united front in our fight against juvenile violence.



Guest Columnist

By Virginia Attorney General Mark L. Earley

efforts to curb youth crime. Indeed, one of our commonwealth's most effective and forward-looking anti-crime initiatives has been the overhaul of the state's juvenile justice system.

The old juvenile justice system was designed for a different day, when the most serious crimes were stealing hubcaps, painting graffiti and knocking down mailboxes. Now, with the increase of gangs and the proliferation of youth violence nationwide, we are seeing kids toting knives and guns to their schools and terrorizing their neighborhoods.

Today, juvenile crimes—murder, rape and robbery—are just as serious and just as deadly as crimes committed by adults.

While serving in the Virginia state senate, I sponsored the Juvenile Justice Reform Act, and as attorney general I have further witnessed the effectiveness of this tool in the hands of our dedicated public servants.

Under the old system, juveniles who committed murder served, on average, less than six years in a youth correctional center. For rape, juveniles served an average of three years. And for robbing a convenience store with a gun, the average stay in a juvenile facility was less than one year.

This was the wrong signal to be sending to gangs and violent youths, and it was the wrong signal for our law-abiding citizens and victims of crime as well. Virginians demanded accountability for those juveniles who committed violent acts against society, and a system which offers real hope of reform for those youths who are willing to turn their lives around. With the Juvenile Justice Reform Act, we were able to strike the right balance between punishing serious violent offenders and rehabilitating those misguided youth who can be reformed. Our legislation imple-

Virginians demanded accountability for those juveniles who committed violence acts against society, and a system which offers real hope of reform for those youths who are willing to turn their lives around.

mented the following elements:

■ Juveniles age 14 and older charged with the most serious crimes, like murder and aggravated malicious wounding, are now tried as an adult in circuit court.

■ Juveniles age 14 and older charged with serious crimes like armed robbery, rape and carjacking are now tried as adults in circuit court upon the motion of the commonwealth's attorney.

■ Circuit and juvenile court judges have new, innovative sentencing options like military boot camps. Circuit judges also have the option to sentence a juvenile as an adult, but suspend the sentence pending the juvenile's successful completion of a sentence in a juvenile facility or program.

These important reforms serve the dual purpose of meting out an appropriate, strong punishment that fits the violent nature of these crimes, and keeping the hard-core juvenile offenders in facilities and away from

those youths who choose to change their ways and pursue a life free from crime.

In addition, the Juvenile Justice Reform Act also opened courtroom proceedings in juvenile court to the public in cases of felony crimes, ensuring that crime victims and their family members would be excluded from these proceedings. And, juvenile criminal history records are open to the public in cases of felony convictions, which is prior record information judges and juries should have as part of truth-in-sentencing.

The strengthening of the Department of Juvenile Justice by Gov. George Allen provided a framework for implementing these sweeping reforms. The department has been a strong partner in reducing juvenile crime and is widely recognized for its innovative approaches to local involvement in administering facilities and providing services designed to keep first-time offenders from becoming caught up in a cycle of crime.

We have learned much over the past 100 years, and we are well-prepared to capitalize on the tremendous resources and experience of our public servants. Most importantly, Virginia has a strong network of individuals and organizations at the state and local level, each with their own role to play, marching forward together with a common purpose.

Today, Virginia's juvenile justice system is more than courtrooms, correction facilities and lawyers. It now spans the length of the commonwealth, and involves a concerned effort to prevent young Virginians from pursuing a life of crime; to keep one-time offenders from becoming repeat offenders; and to keep hardened predators off the streets and away from law-abiding citizens.

With the continued support of people across Virginia, the next 100 years will see even more progress and success in our commonwealth's juvenile justice system—and a safer Virginia for our children and grandchildren.



Public helped make mission holiday a success

Editor:

Oasis Society Ministry was established in 1970 dedicating assistance to those in need in our local community. Unfortunately, that need still existed in 1998, especially during the holiday season.

On behalf of the hundreds of recipients of Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets, money and gifts, Oasis Society Ministry thanks the news media for coming to Oasis' rescue and thanks the numerous organizations, churches, synagogues, schools, businesses, families and individuals who responded donating food, gifts, time, money, and talent during the 1998 holiday season. Without all your help we could not have been successful in meeting the needs of the underprivileged persons.

Evelyn Sweeney
Oasis Society Ministry

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Beach creates task force to study violence, aggressive behavior

I have formed a 19-member interaction task force of prominent mental health, judicial, law enforcement and educational professionals and other community leaders to review issues relating to highly stressed, aggressive individuals and related violent acts in the city, and to recommend how public servants should interact with these individuals as they work to protect all involved and the community at large.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

The city's Safe Community Strategic Issue Team initially requested the study last summer.

The reason for creating the Interaction Initiative is because American society appears to be experiencing an increase in the number of individuals who are resorting to violence in response to personal stress and problems.

Situations are seen every day where the actions of some individuals pose threats to themselves and to the communities in which they live. While Virginia Beach is the safest city of its size in the nation and these situations are still by far the exception rather than the rule, we are not immune from larger societal changes and would do well to address these issues.

I consulted with School Board Chairman Robert C. Spadaccini Sr. when creating this Task Force.

He said, "While Virginia Beach city public schools have excellent security records, we must continue to be proactive in examining our changing roles, cultures and community."

Virginia Beach and other Hampton Roads localities have begun experiencing incidents when public safety or emergency mental health professionals encounter citizens exhibiting aggressive behavior.

In Virginia Beach, serious and sadening incidents have included the Atlantic Shores Christian School shooting, the Quaglatto incident, Bryan Dugan's death a little over a year ago, the Shawn Novak double homicide and others. We want to be certain we're well prepared as possible for any similar incidents in the future or, better still, able to prevent such situations from occurring at all. The city is focusing on how it can

better intervene with individuals who threaten violence in response to personal stresses. Within that context, the Interaction Initiative will involve work in four areas:

- Evaluate current data regarding incidents of violence in Virginia Beach.

- Review practices and protocols currently used in the city to manage aggressive behavior;

- Identify national standards of practice, including model programs which have been used successfully in other states; and

- Recommend the adoption of training and intervention models which would be appropriate in this community.

Questions that will be asked of the task force directly are:

- How do we best accomplish early identification, evaluation and intervention?

- What is the most appropriate role for school counselors and teachers?

- How can we plan for and minimize impacts to the community?

- What can we do to assist the citizens and police officers, mental health professionals and other public employees who deal with the results of our changing society?

All these areas need to be looked into and the task force has been asked to complete its report of recommendations within six months.

Dr. Terry Jenkins, executive director of the Virginia Beach Community Services Board, has agreed to serve as Chair of the Interaction Initiative Task Force.

Also serving on the Task Force will be: Sheriff Frank Drew; the Rev. William A. Dyson, Mt. Zion AME; Robert Fall, Police Citizen Advisory Committee; Dr. William Greer, president, Virginia Wesleyan College; Robert J. Humphreys, commonwealth attorney; Donald V. Jeilig, chairman, Community Services Board; John S. Kalocay, assistant superintendent, Virginia Beach City Public Schools; Woodrow Lewis, Judge, Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court; Carolyn Lincoln, president, Bellamy Woods Civic League; Michael Moore, Citywide PTA representative; and Mark G. Mustin, City Attorney's Office.

Also, Dr. Venita Newby-Owens, director, Department of Public Health; Dr. Leonard Ruchelman, Urban Studies and Public Administration, Old Dominion University; Kenneth W. Stolle, state senator; Daniel Stone, director, Department of Social Services; Chief Charles R. Wright, police department; and O.W. Wright, captain, U.S. Navy.

The Virginia Beach Department of Public Information contributed to this column.

Arts grant assistance workshop planned locally

The Virginia Commission for the Arts is holding a grant application assistance workshop at Old Dominion University, Visual Arts Building, from 1 to 3 p.m. on Feb. 19.

This workshop is being offered in Hampton Roads as one in a series of workshops held statewide. The workshops will offer information about the grant award programs of the Virginia Commission for the Arts in preparation for the April 1, 5 p.m. application deadline. The workshops will address application, review and funding procedures for commission programs.

Program Coordinator Mary Poole will discuss general operating support for arts organizations, the Local Government Challenge Grant Program, the Touring Assistance Program, the Technical Assistance Program, Tourism and the Arts Initiative Grants, the Writers in Virginia Program, Media Artists Grants and the Artist Fellowship Program. Sharon Wilson, Arts in Education Coordinator, will discuss Artists-in-Education Residency Grants, Artist Roster application procedures, Art Education Curriculum Development Grants, Arts Education Technical Assistance Grants, AIE Artist Study Grants and Teacher Incentive Grants.

No pre-registration is required to attend the workshop, and it is free and open to the public. Attendance at a workshop is not required in order to apply for funding; however, it can be helpful in grant preparation. Application forms and publications will be available at the workshop. Persons requiring the services of an interpreter for the hearing impaired at a workshop should contact the commission at least one week in advance of the workshop.

The Virginia Commission for the Arts is the state agency that supports the arts through funding from the Virginia General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts. The commission distributes grant awards to artists, arts and other not-for-profit organizations, educational institutions, educators and local government and provides technical assistance in arts management.

For further information about commission programs, services or resources contact the Virginia Commission for the Arts, 223 Governor St. (Lewis House), Richmond, VA 23219.

Go 'Out of your Gourd' at the Land House

You can imaginatively decorate a covered basket made from locally grown and wild eastern gourds on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 11 a.m. The creativity takes place at the Francis Land House Historic Site and Gardens. Reservations are required.

Participants will paint botanical designs on a lid and container to be used later as an Easter or sewing basket. Instructions for gourd cultivation and drying will be presented by Mildred Clarke, who grows and ships thousands of gourds worldwide each year. She will also demonstrate other projects that can be made from gourds.

Prepayment of \$13 per person is required and covers the cost of all materials for the class. For more information call 431-4000.

The Francis Land House is located at 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd. in Virginia Beach.

Up close and personal Pauline Fried: Lady in the know

By Victoria Hecht

Editor

The plaque on her desk reads "First Impression Administrator."

With that folks get a good look at Pauline "Polly" Fried, often the first person met by visitors to the Virginia Beach Municipal Center.

Seated behind a wooden desk plunked right in the central foyer of City Hall, Fried is the non-official "lady in the know" who helps others get where they need to go.

Fried has put in more than 600 volunteer hours since last February assisting the public in finding their way here and there. She also makes up the schedule for the seven other volunteers who assist her in this task.

"I haven't found my retirement years yet!" grins the 79-year-old Fried, who sits four days a week at the reception desk on the first floor of the three-story City Hall.

With about 24 buildings, including courthouses and various city departments, Fried has to be efficient and knowledgeable to direct others to the right places.

Along the way she takes the time to offer the sweetest, warmest smile imaginable — one that even elicits hugs from strangers.

"She's such a loving, caring individual — the first time I met her she took me into her heart," said Brenda Kellogg, a Virginia Beach court worker.

Born in Norfolk and a long-time resident of that city, Fried now lives in Thalia and is active in local church and civic activities. When City Clerk Ruth Smith approached Fried about starting an information desk at City Hall, Fried immediately said OK.

"My husband says I don't know how to say no, so we started this desk last Feb. 9 and have been here since," she smiled.

Although many visitors simply want directions to the right building, others know only what they want and Fried must determine their need before steering them in the right direction.

Fried takes the time to make each person feel special. One day she even spent an hour with one Austrian lady visiting City Hall. Another time she helped a general who remembered her husband. She particularly enjoys the busloads of school children who visit the building to view the great seal of Virginia Beach, which is located on the tile floor in front of her desk.

Fried is just happy to help.

"I think we have really helped the Commissioner of the Revenue and the Treasurer's Department," because if not, those girls would have to stop their work every time to stop and show people where to go," she explained. "I think this is a benefit to the city."

She continued, "I just love all the people who come through here," she said, "and you'd be surprised at the things you find out about the city working here. For one thing, I didn't know we have twice as many volunteers here in Virginia Beach as we do city employees."

Fried expects nothing in return, but she does enjoy the thanks of people who come back before leaving and tell her how they appreciated her assistance.

"A nice experience that made me feel good was when a high school boy came through here to get his car sticker. He asked to use my phone, then discovered he had locked his keys in his car. He spent 2 1/2 talking to me until his mom arrived. When she got here, he said, 'Mother, I'd like you to meet my new friend.' I felt that was special — a real nice thing to say."

The city depends heavily on volunteers for many aspects of service. From fire and rescue squads to courts, senior services, and parks and recreation, there were more than 10,000 volunteers to city government last year.

Their efforts saved Virginia Beach taxpayers more than \$17.4 million.

Fried is also active in a bevy of service



organizations.

She is past matron and now secretary of Bayside Chapter 181 Order of the Eastern Star and past queen of Al Kena Temple 124 Daughters of the Nile, a Masonic-affiliated organization related to the Shriners whose good deeds support the Greenville Shriners Crippled and Burned Children's Hospital.

Fried was also the office manager of Glen Rock Automobile Radiator Service for 15 years and worked as a rental agent for several large residential developments for 25 years.

Name: Pauline Fried.

What brought you to this area: Built home in Thalia.

Hometown: Norfolk.

Age: 79.

Nickname: Polly.

Occupation: Retired.

Marital Status: Married to Edward.

Children: Four: Robert, retired from U.S. Marine Corps and lives in California; Carolyn, a receptionist in Houston, Texas; Betty, who lives in Virginia Beach; and Lois, a chemistry teacher at Princess Anne High School.

Favorite movies: Any musical.

Magazines I read regularly: Reader's Digest; Redbook; Guidepost and Wildlife.

Favorite night out on the town: Diner and dancing.

Favorite restaurants: Lynnhaven Fish House and Steinhilber's.

Favorite meal: Any seafood.

What most people don't know about me: I'm a chocoholic.

Best thing about myself: I'm too giving.

Worst habit: I like anything chocolate (but I try not to overindulge).

Pets: Bassett hound.

Hobbies: Music, crocheting and reading.

Ideal vacation: London. My grandson is with Naval Intelligence there and lives in downtown London and tells me I'd love it.

Pet peeves: Rudeness.

First job: Typing envelopes for an advertising firm.

Least liked job: Same as above.

Favorite sport: NASCAR.

Favorite musicians: I like all the Big Bands and the Virginia Symphony.

Most embarrassing moment: I was dancing with my son-in-law. He let go of me and I went flying clean across the dance floor.

How I would like to be remembered: That anyone who crossed my path in the journey of life is better for it.

If I received \$1 million: I would probably give most of it away.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I have two things that concern me — children and animals. I hate seeing so many animals destroyed, so I'd educate people about pets. I'd also talk about caring for disabled children.

Art Center opens four exhibits

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia announces four exhibitions that will open at the center in January:

- Sheila Hicks: Seeds to the Wind, on view Jan. 29-29 March 15

This exhibition showcases 38 works of art from one of the foremost contemporary sculptors working in fiber. An innovator of site installations since the 1960s, Hicks has revolutionized the textile art tradition and alerted the art world to the relevance of unexpected materials through the creation of monumental environments and remarkable three-dimensional compositions.

Nurses' blouses, soldiers' uniforms, babies' smocks and common blue jeans — materials that belie a former life — become visual statements about the material nature of cultural memory. By exploring the conceptual quality of clothing as surrogate for the body, Hicks makes allusions to cycles of life, death and regeneration, articulating her ideas with soft, pliable materials and enlivening space with

color, light and shadow. ■ Joyce Scott: Survey: The Radiance of What Is, on view Jan. 23-March 15 — Joyce Scott, a maker of objects and installations, characteristically infuses her work with humor and irony while also tackling difficult subject matter involving stereotypes, racism and violence.

Having experienced many cultures, Scott borrows from her traditions — from Mexican and Pre-Columbian beliefs about life and death to her own rich African-American heritage. Her mother, Elizabeth Scott, an artist known for her story quilts, has influenced her daughter's penchant for narration and textured surfaces.

Through her use of intricate beadwork, Scott subverts the idea of jewelry as body ornamentation, creating narratives that frequently portray physical and mental violence and somehow makes the disturbing subject matter more palatable.

■ Andy Warhol: Endangered Species, on view Jan. 23-March 15 — Produced in 1983, Andy

Warhol: Endangered Species is a series of portraits of animals that were facing the risk of extinction at that time. These prints are representative of a style most often seen in Warhol's later career. His use of bright colors and gestural lines adds dimension and power to these images.

He has made these portraits humanlike, filling them with both emotion and intrigue. Included are 10 prints that were created during Warhol's nearly eight-year collaboration with Ronald Feldman Fine Arts, New York.

This exhibition is sponsored by the Eastern Washington University Foundation and is touring the United States under the auspices of Exhibit Touring Services (ETS), a program in the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences at Eastern Washington University.

■ More Endangered Species, Jan. 23-Feb. 21 — Students from the local school systems study threatened and endangered species, as well as the work of Andy Warhol and create their own prints of en-

dangered species in the Fleming Gallery. Art teachers prepared for this interdisciplinary project by attending a two-day fabric workshop taught by nationally recognized art educator Michelle Tillander.

The workshops immersed teachers in an exciting range of high- and low-tech processes for printing on fabric, including computer manipulation and transfer. Following the exhibition, the student work will be sewn into a wall hanging to be donated to Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters.

Exhibitions and educational programs are funded in part by the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is located at 2200 Parks Avenue in Virginia Beach. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Admission for exhibitions is \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and students, children 4 and under are free. Call 425-0000.

'All in Day's Work' for plantation slaves

Inventories, wills and other Princess Anne County court records will be utilized in a special tour at the Francis Land House Historic Site and Gardens. The tour, entitled "All in a Day's Work: The Plantation Slaves," is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 6 at 2 p.m.

Local historian Thomas Sledge will encourage visitors to explore the daily life of the slaves on the 18th-century Francis Land Plantation. Information from early documents will provide the basis for

discovering details about slave life. Each participant will be given a transcription of some of the early documents. This program is included in the regular admission price of \$3 adults; \$2.50 senior citizens; \$2 students (13 plus) and \$1.50 children (6-12).

Reservations are required. Call 431-4000 for information and reservations.

The Francis Land House is located at 3131 Virginia Beach Boulevard in Virginia Beach.

Free seminar pinpoints acupuncture as therapy

Acupuncture and chelation therapy will be the topics of discussion at a free lecture presented by Virginia Beach neurologist and alternative medicine expert Dr. Robert A. Nash. The seminar is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 23 at 10:30 a.m. at Primary Prevention, 5589 Greenwich Rd., Suite 175, Virginia Beach.

The discussion will include a demonstration of acupuncture, the 2,000 year old therapy that has recently gained positive attention from the National Institutes of Health and information about chelation, a controversial and specialized IV treatment for circulatory problems.

This seminar is one of a series of programs focusing on complementary medicine. At each time, it is set aside to address audience questions on any alternative therapy. Future

lectures will address topics including massage, pain medicine and vitamin therapy, and may feature guest speakers from across Hampton Roads.

In addition to his background in neurology, Dr. Nash is certified in pain medicine and chelation, and is a licensed physician acupuncturist. He is also a contributing editor to "Alternative Therapies," a nationally distributed peer-reviewed journal. Dr. Nash is a graduate of the Naval Academy and a Life Member of the National Registry of Who's Who and Who's Who in Science and Engineering.

Nash's monthly Alternative Medicine Series is free, although space is limited and reservations are requested. For information or to attend the next free seminar call Primary Prevention, 490-9311.

Optimist Club will conduct essay contest

"If I Could Give Freedom Away" is the 1999 topic of the Optimist International Annual Essay Contest, sponsored locally by the Optimist Club of Virginia Beach.

High school students in their sophomore, junior and senior year are eligible to participate according to Carolyn Cox, club chairman for the event.

The local club will select a first, second and third place winner in its contest, and the first place entry will automatically be forwarded to the district competition where it will be judged against other club winning entries from the Capital Virginia District.

The first place district winner will receive an expense paid, four-day trip to the Freedoms Foundation in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, in July 1999 and participate in the Freedom and Leadership Conference.

District winners are further eligible for college scholarships of up to \$5,000.

All essays must be original and must be submitted by Friday, Feb. 12 to qualify for judging by a panel made up of Virginia Beach civic and business leaders. For further information contact Carolyn Cox, 486-4650 or Lynn Christian, 670-9041.

Optimist International is one of the largest and most active service organizations, with more than 130,000 members in 35,000 Optimist Clubs internationally, most of which serve their communities in the United States, Canada and the Caribbean. Carrying the motto "Friends of Youth," Optimist Clubs conduct service projects which reach five million young people each year.

Independence Middle inducts 39 to society

The National Junior Honor Society of Independence Middle School inducted 39 eighth grade students this year.

Consideration for this honor is limited to eighth-grade students who have been on the honor roll for four grading periods of their seventh grade year. They also must have a 3.6 GPA.

Students cannot apply for this honor; they are selected for the Honor Society by the Faculty Council of the school. Selection is determined by the following qualities: scholarship, leadership, citizenship, character and service. Members of the 1998-99 National Junior Honor Society of Independence Middle School are: John Alexander, Kimberly Armstrong, Erica C. Bennet, Rachel Ann Berryman, Alicia Jean Brommer, Michael C. Bryant, Ashley Olivia

Carter, Marie Anne Cob, Mary Allyson Cronauer, Whitney Morgan Tufts Dear, Kathryn Fisher, Ashley Gorman, Whitney Graham, Joshua Charles Hastie, Tiffany Marie Haueter, Erin Leigh Klingmeyer, Emilie LaCroix, Meredith Kory Lany and Meghan MacDougall.

Also, Stacy Maher, Elizabeth M. Mayfield, Coleen Christine McCabe, Courtney Moore, Allison Nuckolls, Rachael Podruchny, Tiffany Lee Redford, Michelle Leigh Richards, Richard Martin Rome, Lauren Michelle Russell, Katherine Randolph Rutecki, Robert Wayne Ryan Jr., Anthony Neil Sellers, Jillian Siviter, Travis Sluka, Lorita Spann, Kristen Spearman, Ebony Stephenson, Kathryn Claire Waller and Justin Michael Wozniak.

Adam Thoroughgood DAR honors students

The Adam Thoroughgood Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution honored three high school seniors at its annual holiday luncheon on Dec. 17 at Fort Story.

The DAR Good Citizens were Elizabeth Gallup from Cox, Jessica Mably from Princess Anne and Travis Semone from Cape Henry Collegiate. The young people were chosen by their teachers and their fellow students for their numerous

contributions not only to their schools but to the community as a whole. They will compete with other graduates on a state and national level, the winner to be announced as the National DAR Good Citizen of the year.

Parents of the students and counselors from the various high schools were also guests at the luncheon. Dan Lowe of the Virginia Beach School Board was the speaker for the occasion.



Beach residents are Outstanding Scholars

Old Dominion University graduates Sylvia Ann Chapa and Tammi N. Sempel, both from Virginia Beach, received Alumni Association Outstanding Scholar Awards during December commencement ceremonies. The awards are given to the graduating graduating student in each college with the highest grade point average. Chapa, a music history major in the College of Arts and Letters, posted a 3.99 cumulative grade point average. She named James W. Kosnik, associate professor of music, as the faculty member who most inspired her and contributed to her success at ODU. Sempel, an exercise science major in the Darden College of Education, posted at 4.0 cumulative grade point average. She named John D. Branch, assistant professor of exercise science, as her inspiring faculty member. Sempel also received the Outstanding University Scholar Award by posting the highest grade point average overall. Pictured above, from left, are: Dana Burnett, vice president of student services; Sempel; Branch; and Thomas Sweeney, president of the ODU Alumni Association. Pictured below, from left, are Burnett, Chapa, Kosnik and Sweeney.



Virginia Musical Theatre presents drama 'Shenandoah'

Local father, son appear

Chesapeake's father and son team of Tim and Scott Ross appear opposite each other as Confederate and Union soldiers in Virginia Musical Theatre's production of "Shenandoah" opening Friday (today) at the Virginia Beach Pavilion Theatre.

This is the third show that Tim and Scott have done with Virginia Musical Theatre. Scott is a senior at Great Bridge High School and is very active in drama and chorus. Tim has appeared in many shows in the Tidewater area, including "Man of La Mancha," which earned him a Portfolio nomination for Best Supporting Actor in a musical.

Since its 1975 Tony Award-winning debut, "Shenandoah" has been billed as "Virginia's musical." Charlie Anderson, a strong-willed Virginia farmer, attempts to keep his family neutral during the emotionally-charged Civil War, but is inevitably swept into the upheaval that left wounds on the land and people. The Shenandoah Valley serves as the backdrop for this heart-warming and heart-rending folk musical.

Creating the role of Charlie Anderson is Ken Parks. Parks starred opposite Debbie Boone in "The Sound of Music," toured with Robert Goulet and appeared in New York with George Grizzard in "Gilbert and Sullivan." He last performed at VMT as Emile de Becque in "South Pacific." The *Virginian-Pilot* critics praised his voice as "almost all the reason one needs to attend."

The supporting New York cast includes Collin O'Brien who toured nationally as the Beast in "Beauty and the Beast," Todd Wilson who appeared as Benjamin in the national tour of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and Brian Hampton, who recently completed director Tim Robbins' film "Cradle



LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON. Father and son team Tim and Scott Ross of Chesapeake star in the Virginia Musical Theatre's production of "Shenandoah" at the Pavilion. The show opens Friday (today).

Will Rock." The two female roles will be played by Susie Hand, who sang the roles of Ariel and Pocahontas in "Feel the Magic" at Tokyo Disneyland, and Korn O'Bryon who last appeared at VMT as Sarah in "Guys and Dolls."

Featured among the remaining cast of 26 are Bob Burchette, Todd Fenstermaker, Dan Gerode, David Olson, J.D. Oliver and Bill Vaughn.

Virginia Musical Theatre is the only year-round professional theater in Virginia dedicated exclusively to the production of musical theater.

Virginia Musical Theatre presents "Shenandoah" on Fridays, Jan. 22 and 29 at 8 p.m., Saturdays, Jan. 23 and 30 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sundays, Jan. 24 and 31 at 2 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Pavilion Theatre. Tickets are \$30 and \$20 adults, \$10 children (16 and under).

Call the Virginia Musical Theatre Box Office, 340-5446, or visit the Pavilion Theatre Box Office or branches of First Virginia Bank of Tidewater.

For more information call, 340-5446.

Race for Independence accepting applications

Plan now to participate in the race of the year. The annual Run for Independence will be held on Saturday, March 6. All proceeds will benefit Independence Middle School.

The awards will begin about 11 a.m. Lots of random prizes will also be given throughout the morning.

Registration fee is \$10 for all races (\$6 for LMS students). Enter

three or more per family and the fee is \$5 each (pre-registration only). The fee will be \$15 for fees for entries postmarked after Feb. 21. Mail entries to Kellie Jordan, c/o Independence Middle School, 1370 Dunstan Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23455. Make checks payable to Independence Middle School.

For additional information contact Kellie Jordan, race director, 460-7500 or 416-9454.

Not too late to take the Polar Plunge

It's not too late to join the hundreds of hearty souls who will brave the chill Atlantic at the seventh annual Polar Plunge, set for Saturday, Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. on the Virginia Beach oceanfront in front of the Hilton (8th and Atlantic streets).

More than 600 people from all over Virginia took the plunge last year to benefit Special Olympics Virginia, while several thousand spectators watched from the safety of the sand.

Since its inception in 1992 the Polar Plunge has raised more than \$300,000 for Special Olympics Virginia, a non-profit sports organization for children and adults with mental disabilities.

Plungers may pick up registration forms at any area Harte's or Eckerd Drug stores, or by calling Special Olympics at 1-800-932-GOLD. The public can also check out the official Plunge Web site, www.polarplunge.com.

Participants must raise at least \$35 to participate. Those who raise \$100 or more will receive a Polar Plunge sweatshirt. Those who raise \$400 or more will receive a sweatshirt and a complimentary room at the Virginia Beach Hilton for the night of the plunge. All registered plungers will also have a chance to win a brand-new ThermoSpas hot tub.

The plunger raising the most money will win a three-night vacation package for two to the tropical Bahamas Princess Resort and Casino featuring non-stop flights from Richmond to Grand Bahama Island courtesy of Princess Bahamas Vacations. Some restrictions and additional charges apply. Teams of plungers are welcome to participate.

Polar Plunge VII is sponsored by the Adventure Club, the Coast 93.7 FM, Eckerd, Harte's, Princess Bahamas Vacations, Procter and Gamble, ThermoSpas and the Virginia Beach Hilton.

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

■ Dylan Pritchett uses the African traditions of storytelling to teach valuable lessons about modern life. Join in for an hour of entertainment and enlightenment on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Central Library (4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.). Call 437-6450 to register. This program is jointly sponsored by the Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library, the Virginia Beach Public Library and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

■ Dr. E.J. Josey, past-president of the American Library Association, will speak about the contributions of African-Americans to library service on Saturday, Feb. 27 from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Central Library (4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.). Josey is originally from Hampton Roads and his experiences and impact on the library profession make him uniquely qualified to address how libraries are changing. If you are interested in computers, information, literature and people, come and learn about the career opportunities in libraries. Call 437-6450 to register.

■ To celebrate African-American culture through gospel songs, a concert will be presented by local choirs and soloists, with performances by youth spirit dancers on Sunday, Feb. 28 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Central Library (4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.). This is a program for all ages. Call 437-6450 to register.

■ Everyone is invited to a step show featuring Virginia Beach High School and Community Recreation Center step teams on Saturday, Feb. 13 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Kempsville Community Recreation Center (800 Monmouth Lane). Call 437-4858 for more information. This program is jointly sponsored by the Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library, the Virginia Beach Public Library and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

■ Mature teens aged 12 to 18 years old are invited to an AIDS Awareness Educational Skit by the Red Cross and NAB Little Creek Teen Center on Saturday, Feb. 20 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Central Library (4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.). This skit will deal with the difficult subject of HIV prevention and issues surrounding African-American and HIV/AIDS. A short discussion will follow the presentation. Call 437-6450 to register.

School funding

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port, depends on factors such as the continued growth in the economy, the cost of the car tax elimination program, other program demands and calls for additional tax relief such as reducing the sales tax on food.

"If the state cuts anywhere else, we have a problem," said E. Dean Block, the city's director of management.

To make the committee's recommendation a reality, Tate said it would be necessary for both bodies to adopt the consensus funding scenario which also includes an expenditure of \$66,165,930 for modernization beyond the 17 schools; adopt a policy for the use of school reversion funds for modernization, technology and buses; adopt a policy to use CIP modernization balances in other modernization projects; adopt a policy which directs newly provided state lottery funds to modernization; request full information on school technology funding needs to the board and council; adopt a policy to review the plan every two years. Also, maintain a one million dollar per year revenue policy pay-as-you-go funding in the school CIP and gradually shift this to operation and maintenance of modernized schools; maintain a close alliance to ensure the state meets lottery and other commitments to education; and draft a joint Council/School Board resolution which adopts the report and plan.

The policy report notes that all resources were not put into the modernization effort, although that is the most pressing.

One pressing need, the replacement of outdated school buses, may be solved with the upcoming budget.

John S. Kolocay, assistant superintendent in the office of administrative support services, said that 110 new buses will be included in the upcoming school operating budget. That should bring the school system very close, he said, to meeting the state guidelines which recommend replacement of buses that are older than 12 years.

This year, 71 new buses were added to the fleet, he said, and the previous year, 42.

The modernization program is designed to not only renovate the buildings but to add more space and to bring them up to the standards of the newest schools in the city.

The 17 schools slated for modernization are Creeds, Bayside, Shelton Park, Thalia, Woodstock, Kempsville Meadows, Louise Luxford, Kempsville, Malibu, Pembroke, Trantwood, Lynnhaven, Hermatiga, Arrowhead, Windsor Woods, Brookwood and Pembroke Meadows.

The oldest among them is Creeds, which first opened in 1939. Eighteen additional elementary schools built prior to 1990 are next on the list and 15 middle schools that have not been modernized or had major additions are next.

MADD meets

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Southside Community Action Team will meet Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Central Library, 4100 Virginia Beach Boulevard.

Weatherization assistance offered

Virginia's largest community action agency, The STOP Organization, is seeking applications for Weatherization assistance. The Weatherization Program helps qualifying residents throughout South Hampton Roads increase the energy efficiency of their homes — at no cost to the homeowner.

The free program is available in Norfolk, Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Hampton, Suffolk, Franklin, Isle of Wight and Southampton Counties to ensure the health and safety of low-income residents. Households inclusive of the elderly, children and/or people with disabilities can reap the benefits of Weatherization assistance, if program requirements are met.

Some functions of the Weatherization Program include insulating attics and sidewalls, air sealing and providing heat installation and repair.

For more information about The STOP Organization's Weatherization Program contact Robert Gallop, weatherization coordinator, 858-1397.



SAYING FAREWELL. Hampton Roads' only remaining dinner theater, Dominion Theater at The Founders Inn, called it quits this month after owner, Christian Broadcasting Network, decided to close the theater and use the space for more corporate endeavors. Dominion's staff, including, from left, Gary Spell, Catherine Segars and Derek Leonidoff, hope to find a new home for the troupe.

Curtain closes on dinner theater

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During the last play, "It's a Wonderful Life," the group fielded about 300 calls per day and spend 60 to 70 hours a week on the job, even though they had been told it would be the last production there. They were poised, professional and always ready to rise to the occasion.

"It's always been about people," Spell said, "and, oh, by the way, doing the finest art ever seen."

For The Christian Broadcasting Company who owns the inn, the decision to close the facility was about money. In the eight years of being open, it never turned a profit, and CBN announced in early December the plans to turn the facility into more of a corporate training center. The project, headed by Benchmark Hospitality, has no need for a theater and planned to use the space for a conference room.

"The space was not originally intended to be a theater," explained Patty Silverman, director of public relations for CBN. "It is wired for teleconferencing and has never been used."

Silverman also said the theater has been totally supported by CBN. It never made any money, never even broke even. The theater only had 130 seats, but it realistically needed at least 250 to be profitable. It was the only dinner theater in the area.

"We realize this was a valuable art facility for the community," she said. "We can't say enough about it, the great family-oriented fun it provided, and we are grateful to Gary Spell."

Silverman said CBN has also re-



WARM HUG. Director Gary Spell shares a hug and a smile with assistant box office manager Caroline Nichols during tear-down of the "It's a Wonderful Life" set. The curtain is closing on Dominion Theater, the last dinner theater in the area.

ceived numerous letters and phone calls about the closing, and while it is looking at the situation, there is no decision to reopen it.

The Founders Inn came under public scrutiny soon after it opened because of its policy to hire only "born-Christian workers." It was

built from borrowed money and "partner support," said Silverman. It was also a non-smoking and no alcohol environment. But, as the management companies changed, so did the policies.

"The religious community cannot totally support the hotel," Silverman said. "We are not changing our focus; we are going after additional markets."

Dominion Theater may have helped bridge that gap. It never required its staff to be Christian or presented totally Christian plays. Spell said it played a big part in breaking down walls and drawing in people who vowed they would never set foot in the Founders Inn because of their dislike of CBN's founder, Pat Robertson, and his policies.

"There was no beating people over the head with Bible," Spell said. "The theater was a haven for people who needed to be loved. It was a perfect intersection of faith and art."

However, Spell cannot fault CBN for its decision to close the facility.

"This corporation gift-wrapped this theater and gave it to the community for eight years," he said.

And it provided a nice severance package for the theater, so Spell has the luxury of resting and exploring other options. He was received numerous offers, but while he is flattered, he is not ready to talk about them yet.

"It's like the day after the divorce, asking someone if they are going to date again," he said.

The staff would follow him anywhere and do it again in a heartbeat.

Lynnhaven Parish DAR presents Good Citizens

The Lynnhaven Parish Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution held its January meeting at Westminster Canterbury. Regent Nevelyn Stark presided.

The main program was the presentation of three high school seniors chosen as Good Citizens representing their school. The chairman of the Good Citizen Committee, Mary Weed Vose, introduced the winners and presented each with a DAR Good Citizen pin. In addition, their names will be placed on a plaque kept by each school.

The award winners were Amanda Dozier of Kempsville High School, Leslie Rueff of Green Run, who was unable to attend the ceremony as she was at James Madison University with her debate team and Sharon Barbo of Tabernacle Baptist High School.

Dozier plans to attend Cincinnati Bible College, where she will take religious studies. She is also considering training to teach signing and perhaps special projects working with the deaf. Barbo will attend Bob Jones Bible College. Rueff's father accepted her pin.

The speaker for this event was Jennifer Sutliff, regional vice president of the Children of the Ameri-



GOOD CITIZENS. The Lynnhaven Parish DAR's Good Citizen recipients, from left, are Sharon Barbo, Jennifer Sutliff and Amanda Dozier.

can Revolution. Her territory includes Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. She attends James Madison University and plans to study American history and possibly go on to law school.

Youths undertake asthma awareness challenge

By Shirli Kuykendall
Correspondent

Kemps Landing Magnet School students are breathing more easily in a community-based project for involving around asthma awareness.

"The project started last year," explained Carolyn Stamm, one of the teachers at the school.

"We noticed that a lot of kids on teams have asthma, so we decided to find out more about the disease. The students made informative brochures and passed them out to the elementary schools. It was on a field trip that we noticed a lot of inhalers — and that's when we decided to learn more about asthma."

Daniel Young, a 14-year-old eighth grader and president of Operation Breathe Easy, also the name of their eighth grade group, spoke with excitement about his trip to last week's City Council meeting to promote the project.

"Well, it was kind of intimidating — we were only children there. It's kind of prestigious. We gave out presentations to the council members and we were extremely warmly received."

The presentation was a short speech that Young and fellow student Brandon Stewart wrote.

"It highlighted some of the more startling statistics about asthma," Young said. "There are approximately 14.6 million asthmatics in the U.S. — that number has doubled since 1980."

He continued, "I suppose the greatest misconception about the disorder is that it's treated episodically. People treat individual attacks while failing to take preventative measures against exacerbations of the condition. Asthma is a condition for which the worst case scenario can often times be avoided," Young said.

A big event coming up Jan. 29-30 to promote the project is "Breathe Easy Day" at Lynnhaven Mall. Students will distribute surveys to test the public's asthma I.Q. in partnership with Children's Hospital and EVMs, the students hope to be offering asthma screenings.

"There will be plenty of information available — everything from brochures and booklets to placebo inhalers. We've really received a lot

of support in our cause," Young said.

Students are also raising funds to help kids attend Camp Wheez-B-Gone at Camp Skimino in Williamsburg.

The youth are also putting together packets for the Center of Effective Learning and will perform a Peter Pan parody skit designed to inform and educate about asthma awareness.

Some of the information to be presented in the skit deals with symptoms and precautions to take at the onset or during an asthma attack. Other information is highlighted through light humor, including prevention measures such as keeping animals out and maintaining a dust-free home.

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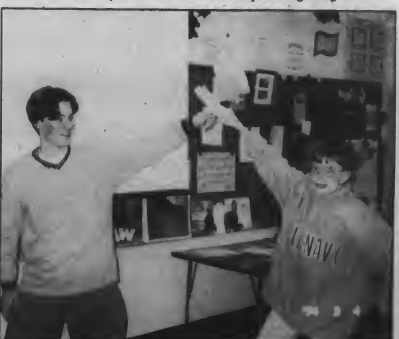
Daniel Young portrays the evil Capt. Duster and Brandon Stewart plays Peter Pan in the production.

"I decided to pursue the idea because it looked like fun and I would be making a difference in the community," Stewart said.

Students like Stewart are working hard to make a difference.

In addition to the other activities, the team volunteered for the Super Walk for Super Kids, held in October at Busch Gardens, Williamsburg and spoke at the State Asthma Coalition in Richmond. The youth have been traveling statewide to spread their message.

Dr. Cynthia Kelly from the Pediatric Research at Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters is credited with the genesis of the project. Kelly came to Kemps Landing Magnet School to talk to the student body about the misconceptions surrounding asthma. She presented alarming facts, not only about the disease, itself but the misconceptions regarding asthma.



YOUTH ACTIVISTS. Daniel Young and Brandon Stewart rehearse their parts for a skit to promote Asthma Awareness Month. The youths also visited City Council to bring more awareness to the issue.

Decoys are family way of life

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It's not necessary to be an artistic genius to carve decoys or folk art, the Johnsons said, but the work does require skill, patience, and a certain amount of native ability. Like other self-taught craftsmen, the Johnsons and Waterfield have learned from their mistakes, and sometimes they've even been able to use them to develop their own unique touches to the traditional folk crafts.

"Of course, anybody who does it has to have an artistic bent," said Patricia. "But we're not scared of making mistakes. When Susan first began working with us, she asked us what would happen if she made a mistake. And we said, 'Well, you can throw it away, or you can turn that mistake into something positive.'"

The work also requires a respect for equipment, Patricia added. "When I first started, it was kind of scary," she said. "For a 16-year-old girl to use a band saw is a little scary. And we have a brother who cut his finger off with one, so we do have a healthy respect for equipment."

Patricia, the youngest of four children, helped pay her expenses at Tidewater Community College by carving decoys with her father. Paterson, who grew up near the Lynnhaven River, taught himself to carve decoys, then decided to do it professionally after he moved to Creeds.

"My father had been carving all

of his life," said Susan. "He worked for Civil Service, and he just got tired of it and decided to do decoys."

"My dad made his living at it," Patricia added, "and I worked my way through TCC for two years carving miniatures. But I didn't consider doing this as a living. Who would? It wasn't a big business then."

Jac, who "had always been artistic" was a business major at Old Dominion University when he began working with Patricia and her father, and the two decided to make the business a full-time effort. Paxson is semi-retired now, but other family members have helped with the work, and Susan joined them full-time a few years later.

"I worked retail for 13 years," Susan said, "and I got tired of never seeing my son and husband. So I did a 360-degree turn. I went from working at the Clinique counter at Leggett's, where I went in dressed up in my old clothes, with my hair pulled back and no make-up."

These days, Susan spends her time in the sawdust-covered shop, helping to produce the two-to-four hundred carvings she and her sister and brother-in-law turn out each month. Working with family members six to seven days a week requires some adjustment, she admitted, but so far everything has gone well.

"The people I worked with before told me that working with family members wouldn't work out," Susan said. "But I'm the kind of

person that, if you tell me it won't work, I'll make it work. And we have a good relationship, a good rapport."

"Everything we do is a team effort," Patricia added. They specialize in reproductions, or decoys that are treated to make them appear antique. These reproductions are hot collector's items right now, but locally there are a lot of decoy carvers so the family branched out into folk art a few years ago. Now, they produce horses, rabbits, penguins, angels, crows and other small wooden figures.

"Folk art," a term that's also become a buzzword, is difficult to define, Susan said "but I think of it as primitive and whimsical." The items are made, she added, "from wood, horsehair, all natural things."

It's also similar to the decoys they carve, Jac added, in that "it's usually defined as things that were once utilitarian that are now decorative. And it's also characterized by the artist being self-taught. We try to put our own spin on the utilitarian."

"We look at folk art books to get some of our ideas," Patricia added. "And we try to make them look traditional."

It's that traditional look that attracts collectors, agreed customer Bill Hess, who visited the shop one recent day.

"The decoys are a tie to the past," said Hess, who grew up locally. "I used to hunt down here in the 1950s and 1960s, and a lot of us enjoy ties to the area. It's part of our heritage."

Fort Story Noncommissioned Officer, Soldier of the Year will be recognized

The Fort Story Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier have been selected for the 1999 year. These soldiers competed against other noncommissioned officers and soldiers throughout the year for this prestigious honor.

Staff Sgt. Michael B. Stone was named as Fort Story's 1999 Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year. Stone was born in Satellite Beach, Fla. and graduated from Eau Gallie High School in May 1991.

Stone joined the Army in September 1991 as a transportation cargo specialist and completed advanced individual training (AIT) in March 1992. He was then assigned to the 368th Transportation Company, Fort Story, where he participated in several joint logistics over the shore missions and deployed on various logistical missions to Fort Bragg, N.C. and Savannah, Ga.

Stone is the NCOIC, training section 368th Transportation Company, 11th Transportation Battalion at Fort Story.

In 1998, he was selected as Fort Story's First Quarter NCO winner. He was later selected as 7th Transportation Group's NCO of the Quarter for the first quarter and will compete for 7th Group's NCO of

the Year on Jan. 25.

Most noteworthy in December, Staff Sgt. Stone was named as the Fort Story's Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year.

Stone has successfully completed courses at Tidewater Community College and is currently enrolled in the Florida State University "Distance Learning" program.

His military education includes the completion of the Primary Leadership Development Course (PLDC) and the Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course (BNCO). His awards include the Army Achievement Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Good Conduct Medal, Second Award, the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

He is married to Angel Stone and has one daughter, Nicole Stone. Specialist Sandra D. Spoden was named the Fort Story's Soldier of the Year. Spoden is assigned as a generator mechanic at the 368th Transportation Company, 11th Transportation Battalion, Fort Story. She was born in West Columbia, S.C. and graduated in May 1991 from Lower Highland Heights High School in Hopkins, S.C.

She is continuing her education

at Tidewater Community College.

Spoden joined the Army in October 1992 and completed her advanced individual training in April 1993 at Fort Belvoir and was later assigned to Fort Carson, Colo. In October 1996, Spoden was assigned to the 368th Transportation Company.

Spoden qualified to compete for Soldier of the Year by her selection as Fort Story's Third Quarter, Soldier of the Quarter winner. Her awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbons. She is married to Christopher J. Spoden and has one daughter, Jessica L. Spoden.

Stone and Spoden will both be honored at the General Douglas MacArthur Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) Dinner on Jan. 23 and at the annual Soldier/NCO of the Year Luncheon to be held on Feb. 11. Both events will be held at the Fort Story Club at Fort Story.

The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Soldier/NCO of the Year Luncheon.

LEGALS NOTICES

Virginia:

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, February 9, 1999 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Terry Peterson Residential One, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to A-12 Apartment District with a PD-H2 Planned Unit Development District Overlay on certain property located at the eastern extremity of Connie Lane. The proposed zoning classification change to A-12 with a PD-H2 Overlay is for multi-family residential land use at a density not greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 28.24 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

2. An Ordinance upon Application of RML Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional A-12 Residential District on certain property located on the south side of South Plaza Trail beginning at a point 150 feet or less east of Princess Anne Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density not greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 10.200 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet or less south of South Plaza Trail. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:
DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for gasoline sales and a car wash in conjunction with a convenience store on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet or less south of South Plaza Trail. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Yossi Amual for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicles sales on Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 25 & 26, the northern 25 feet of Lots 34, 35 & 36 and the northern 25 feet of the eastern three feet of Lot 33, Block 36, Euclid Place. Said parcel is located at 4921 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 17,100 square feet. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Assisted Care Developers, LLC, for a

Conditional Use Permit for an independent and assisted living facility at the southwest intersection of Holland Road and S. Independence Boulevard. Said parcel contains 7.787 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

NONCONFORMING USE:
DISTRICT 6 - BEACH

7. Application of Bank of Tidewater for an enlargement in a nonconforming use at the northeast corner of Pacific Avenue and 38th Street. Said parcel is located at 3801 Pacific Avenue and contains 12,196.8 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.
Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AEE
City Clerk

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303; Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 10, 1999 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Courthouse, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. **PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE. AFTER A PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.**

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Z-1 Commercial Properties, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from I-1 Light Industrial to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the northeast intersection of Indian River Road and Military Highway. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for business commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for business parks, offices, and employment support uses that are in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcels are located at 820, 830 & 840 S. Military Highway and at 6404 Indian River Road and contain 4.2 acres more or less. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

2. An Ordinance upon

Application of The Francisco Company for an Amendment to The Green Run Land Use Plan to allow an automobile service station in conjunction with a convenience store at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Windmill Point Crescent. Said parcel contains 1.663 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:
3. An Ordinance upon Application of Grace Arzillo for a Conditional Use Permit for a home occupation (day care) on Lot 40, Block 0, Section Two, Part Three, Charlottesville. Said parcel is located at 1813 Roves Lane and contains 17,000 square feet more or less. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Beth Sholom Terrace for a Conditional Use Permit for an assisted living facility at the southwest intersection of Auburn Drive and College Park Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 6401 Auburn Drive and contains 6.131 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of S.C.P. Properties, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for mini-warehouses on certain property located on the west side of S. Lynnhaven Road, 200 feet more or less north of Silina Drive. Said parcel contains 1.15 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Timothy C. McCoy for a Conditional Use Permit for a recreational facility of an outdoor nature on certain property located at the southeast corner of Pacific Avenue and 22nd Street. Said parcel contains 14,026 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Spring Branch Community Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church on the east side of Great Neck Road, north of Harbor Lane. Said parcel is located at 1510 Great Neck Road and contains 9,250 acres. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Donald Berger for a Conditional Use Permit for indoor recreation (billiards) on the north side of Pembroke Boulevard, west of Independence Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 4616 Pembroke Boulevard and contains 1.25 acres. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hambit for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station in conjunction with a convenience store and a car wash on the east side of S. Independence Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 360 and 368 S. Independence Boulevard and contains 2.2 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

10. An Ordinance upon Application of Boys Club of Norfolk, Inc., T/A Boys & Girls Club of South Hampton Roads for a Conditional Use Permit for a boys & girls club at the northern extremity of Competitor Court. Said parcel is located at 1505 Competitor Court and contains 4,405' acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 8/13/97:

11. An Ordinance upon Application of Creeds & Associates, Inc., a VA Corp., M.M. & Gayle B. Rollins for a Conditional Use Permit for an alternative rural residential development on certain property located at the southern terminus of Oakum Creek Drive. Said parcel contains 30.03 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 8/12/98:

12. An Ordinance upon Application of Long Bay Development Ltd., for a Conditional Use Permit for a marina (improvements) at the southwest intersection of Great

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Beach's Carroll promoted to chamber veep post

James T. Carroll III, director of the Small Business Development Center of Hampton Roads Inc., was promoted to vice president, small business, for the Chamber on Jan. 1.

He will retain his duties and title as director of the SBDC. Carroll joined the chamber's staff in February.

A Virginia Beach resident, Carroll retired from the Navy in 1995 after a 21-year career as a commissioned officer. He is a member of the adjunct faculty for the U.S.

Naval War College where he serves as a professor for joint maritime operations.

He holds a MBA in international business from London's City University Business School, a MA in international relations from Slave Regina College and a BA in history from Villanova University.

The SBDC provides in-depth one-on-one counseling services as well as training and education programs for small business owners in all aspects of their operations. Additionally, the center provides assistance to business owners in obtaining financing for their ventures.

The SBDC, jointly hosted by the Chamber and Thomas Nelson Community College, provides this service throughout the 18 cities and counties of the Hampton Roads region.

The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce is a 2,800 member-firm business action organization committed to building the business climate, providing for future economic expansion and improving quality of life in Hampton Roads.

NOAA awards Bronze Medal for personal, professional work

The Commerce Department's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has awarded its Bronze Medal to Jo Anne Bowman of the Atlantic Marine Center for personal and professional excellence in support of the marine center.

Bowman, who serves as a secretary to the center's director, was presented the award by NOAA Administrator D. James Baker at a ceremony in Silver Spring, Md.

Bowman was commended for her contribution to the successful

downtizing and streamlining operations of NOAA's Atlantic Marine Center in Norfolk. Her ideas, leadership and hard work enabled the administrative functions to run smoothly. Through her exceptional management and organizational skills, she provided the positive attitude to accomplish this daunting task without problems.

Bowman resides with her family in Virginia Beach. She is the daughter of the late Msgr. and Mrs. Olin H. Collins of Chesapeake.

The Bronze Medal is the highest honorary award given by NOAA, an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce. It is granted by the administrator for a significant contribution to NOAA or the department.

Local physician is new member of bariatric society

Dr. David W. Richardson of Center For Complementary Medicine in Virginia Beach has recently become a member of the American Society of Bariatric Physicians (ASBP).

ASBP, founded in 1950, is a national professional medical society of more than 1,500 licensed doctors of medicine and osteopathy who have a special interest in bariatrics — the medical treatment of obesity and its related conditions. Bariatricians normally employ a combination of nutrition education, exercise, behavior modification and, when indicated, prescription weight control medications in treating their patients.

Through an extensive program of continuing medical education and publications, ASBP exposes its members to the most recent knowledge and developments in treating obesity and its associated conditions to ensure that the physicians remain on the cutting edge of the technology used in treating the overweight patient.

Which of These Costly Homeseller Mistakes Will You Make When You Sell Your Home?

HAMPTON ROADS — A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money.

This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their home and become disillusioned and — worse — financially disadvantaged when they put their home on the market.

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Neck Road W and Buccanor Road. Said parcel contains 7.3 acres more or less. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 1/13/99:

13. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Greenwood Associates, LLC. Property is located on the east side of Holland Road, 284 feet south of Saville Garden Way. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

14. Application of Berkshire Apartments, L.L.C., for the modification of conditions placed on the application for a rezoning from A-1 to A-2 on July 13, 1981. Property is located on the east side of West Lane, 200.46 feet north of Virginia Beach Boulevard. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

15. An Ordinance upon Application of Oil Equipment Permits for a self-service car wash with office/equipment building on Lot 41, east half of Lot 42 and the west half of Lot 40, Bradford Park. Said parcel is located at 4912 Rutherford Road and contains 1.02 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

16. An Ordinance upon Application of Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Princess Anne Road and S. Independence Boulevard. The proposed zoning classification change of Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban employment use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.08 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

17. An Ordinance to amend Sections 1504 and 1514 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the elimination of on-site parking requirements for uses other than hotels and motels in the RT-1 and RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts.

18. An Ordinance to amend Section 1521 of the City Zoning Ordinance, establishing commercial parking lots and garages as conditional uses in the RT-3 Resort District, eliminating commercial parking lots and garages as principal uses in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District, and allowing off-site parking for uses located in the RT-1 RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts as a conditional use in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District.

19. An Ordinance to amend Section 1511 of the City Zoning Ordinance eliminating commercial parking garages as a permitted use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District and adding same as a conditional use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District.

20. Application of Edward O. "Ted" Yoder for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of a portion of Holly Road beginning at the northern boundary of Bay Colony Drive and running in a northwesterly direction a distance of 284.01 feet. Said parcel contains 12.405 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

21. An Ordinance upon Application of Dockery Lambert, Jr. & Mildred Lambert for a Conditional Use Permit for a cemetery, columbarium, crematory and mausoleum on certain property located on the north side of Indian River Road beginning at a point 1500 feet east of Riddick Lane. Said parcel contains 24.55 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

22. An Ordinance upon Application of Davisville Properties, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District and B-2 Community Business District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District at the southwest intersection of First Colonial Road and Republic Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban medium density residential at densities that are compatible with single-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 1.68 acres more or less. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Robert J. Scott, Planning Director. Copies of the proposed ordinances, resolutions and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call: TDD only at 427-4305. (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
3067 Blitz Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kimberly R. Sanders dated February 27, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3478, page 1120, securing a loan which was originally \$45,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 11, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 23, Site 1, in Block D, as shown on that certain plat entitled "RESUBDIVISION OF PRINCESS ANNE PLAZA, SECTION 22 (MAGIC HOLLOW P.U.D.)."

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$4,500.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute bid and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: VA. NP984046

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Middlesex Division
Docket No. 99A0004-T1
Citation G.L.c. 210 § 3

In the Matter of Jilliane Kathryn Humrich

To any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.

A putative father will not have standing as a party to this case without a voluntary acknowledgement of parentage or an adjudication of paternity. A petition has been presented to the Court by Act of Love Adoptions, 734 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, Mass. representing that the father - of the child (s) the current ability, capacity, fitness and readiness to assume parental responsibility for the child; that the petitioner's plan for the child will serve the child's best interests; and, praying that this Honorable Court enter a decree under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 210, Section 3, that shall have the effect of terminating the rights of the person(s) named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the custody, guardianship, adoption, or other disposition of the child named herein.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE AT THE Middlesex Probate Court, 208 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA before TEN O'CLOCK in the forenoon (10:00 A.M. on March 15, 1999.

You are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving AFDC, EAEDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, food stamps, refugee resettlement benefits, Medicaid and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Register/Adoptions Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed above to obtain the necessary forms.

Witness: Sheila E. McGovern, First Justice of this Court.
Date: Jan. 6, 1999

Marie A. Gardin, acting register of probate.

Public Notice

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

In re the Marriage of Joseph Christopher Skelton, Petitioner, and Jennifer Suzanne Skelton, Respondent.

NO. 98 3 033772

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (SMPB)

TO THE RESPONDENT: Jennifer Suzanne Skelton

1. The petitioner has started an action in the above court requesting that your marriage be dissolved.

2. The petition also requests that the Court grant the following relief:

Dispose of property and liabilities.

3. You must respond to this summons by serving a copy of your written response on the person signing this summons and by filing the original with the clerk of the Court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons (60 days after the 1st day of July, 1999), the court may enter an order of default against you, the court may, without further notice to you, enter a decree and approve or provide for other relief requested in this summons. In the case of a dissolution of marriage, the court will not enter the final decree until at least 90 days after service and filing. If you serve a copy of appearance on the undersigned person, you are entitled to notice before an order of default or a decree may be entered.

4. Your written response to the summons and petition must be on form WFF PD 01.030, Response to Petition (Domestic Relations). Information about how to get this form may be obtained by contacting the clerk of the court, or by contacting the Office of the Administrator for the Court at (360) 705-5328, or from the Internet at the Washington State Supreme Court Homepage: <http://www.wa.gov/courts/>

5. If you wish to see the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be served on time.

6. One method of serving a copy of your response on the petitioner is to send it by certified mail with return receipt requested.

This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.100 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of Washington.

Dated: 12/23/98
Mark T. Patterson II
W.S.B.A. #13777
Attorney for Petitioner

FILE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT:

Clerk of the Court
Snohomish County Court
MS-605
3000 Rockefeller
Everett, WA 98201
SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON:

Petitioner's Attorney
Mark T. Patterson II
Patterson & Micheli
3116 Rockefeller Ave.
P.O. Box 12057
Everett, WA 98206

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1169 Beautiful Street
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Joe Louis Waller and Clara Jeanette Waller dated November 5, 1993 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3299, page 612, securing a loan which was originally \$71,150.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 5, 1999 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 153, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "LAKE JAMES, PHASE 1A, KEMPVILLE BOROUGH, VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA". Tax Map #1455-28-0542.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement

and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute bid and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA. NP984316

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1824 Onyx Lane
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from William E. Calvert and Mathildur K. Calvert dated March 4, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3592, page 0625, securing a loan which was originally \$94,734.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 5, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 411, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "SUBDIVISION OF ROCK CREEK, PHASE 4A." Tax Map #1485-23-8003-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$9,200.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute bid and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

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Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1301 Lake James Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kendall W. Boyd and Joann T. Boyd dated March 1, 1994 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3358, page 439, securing a loan which was originally \$142,400.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 11, 1999 at 8:02 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 153, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "LAKE JAMES, PHASE 1A, KEMPVILLE BOROUGH, VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA". Tax Map #1455-28-0542.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$13,600.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional

terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute bid and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional. NP984096

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
3909 Arden Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Robert Thomas Link dated May 31, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3623, page 1193, securing a loan which was originally \$79,039.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 11, 1999 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 15, Block B, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Plat of Green Run PUD, Subdivision D-3, part 1." Tax Map #1485 17 0523 0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$7,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase

Public Notice

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price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute bid and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA. NP984343

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
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Public Notice

Auction: 1989 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA

Serial: WVWTC01G8KW6392
Auction Date: 2/4/99
Time: 11:00 a.m. at Chesapeake Motor Sports, 1216B South Military Hwy., Chesapeake, VA 23320.

Tidewater Acceptance Corporation reserves the right to bid.

Public Notice

Auction: 1988 PONTIAC GRAND AM

Serial: 1G2NE14UXJC673053
Auction Date: 2/4/99
Time: 11:00 a.m. at Chesapeake Motor Sports, 1216B South Military Hwy., Chesapeake, VA 23320.

Tidewater Acceptance Corporation reserves the right to bid.

Public Notice

Auction: 1991 HONDA EXCEL

Serial: KMHVF32JMU0303575
Auction Date: 2/4/99
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02/05

Winter calm deceptive to eye in southern Virginia Beach

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

On a calm January morning in Virginia's southern barrier strip, it sometimes seems as if the whole world were deep in a winter nap.

The ground is hard and white with frost, and the full moon sheds its last bright rays on the icy shallow along Back Bay's edges as it sinks into the western horizon. Over on the ocean side, the sun's rising in a cool blue sky and a few birds huddle along the dunes as if trying to stay warm. The wind, for right now, has stopped blowing and even the ocean is calm.

But not all of life is dormant on this winter morning. It's not hard, under this bright moon, to spot the hunters and commercial fishermen who, despite the freezing temperatures, are already hard at work or play out on the bay.

"Oh, yeah, we go out before daylight," said Jim Clark, a local hunting and fishing guide who operates Back Bay Ventures.

"We're allowed to shoot 30 minutes before daylight, and it's just barely light then. So we leave the docks at 6 a.m., then drive to the docks and go out to the blinds in time to get the decoys out in the dark. Cold? Oh, yes, it freezes you. But a cold day is what hunters love."

As the morning progresses, commercial fishing boats and even a pleasure craft or two will appear out on the ocean and a few bare hikers or birdwatchers, bundled against the cold, will walk along the flat beach at low tide.

The interior trails leading through Back Bay Wildlife Refuge are closed until April 1 to allow the migratory waterfowl a chance to rest and feed undisturbed. But there are plenty of gulls, terns and hawks to see on the ocean side, and raccoons and fox stalk their prey in the dunes. This is also the best time to see the wild ponies, who wander north from Corolla to graze this time of year. And for those who can stick it out all day, a winter sunset on Back Bay is at least as spectacular as a sunrise on the ocean.

Southern Virginia Beach is an awesome place to be in mid-winter, but it's not for everyone. On a good day, when the sun's shining and the wind isn't too strong, the weather can be bracing.

But it can change very suddenly: when the sky becomes overcast or the wind picks up suddenly, the weather becomes just plain mean. The wind stings the eyes, face and hands and makes boating impossible and even walking difficult, and its stirr up the ocean and changes its color from silvery-green to leaden gray.

Sometimes even the commercial fishermen have to call it quits and seek shelter inland. There are still plenty of fish in the bay and ocean if you can catch a day when the wind's not blowing too hard, but commercial fisherman Robert Whitehurst spends the stormy winter days catching up on chores at Pungo Fish House on Indian River Road.

"That north wind is rough on your nets," said Whitehurst. "You catch sticks, and tennis shoes, everything but fish." Right now, he added, the wind and cooling water

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Jim Clark,
hunting and fishing guide

temperatures make business a little slow and "we're in our fix and repair mode. This is the time of year that we mend nets, work on our crab pots to get them ready for spring, that kind of thing."

"We had a good fall," he said, "but things are going to tighten up now." Usually warm weather and warmer-than-normal water temperatures kept many fish in the area later than normal. "But now the water temperature's down, and the cold winter is coming. Most of the smaller fish have migrated south."

The fall was so calm and warm that some hikers and fishermen reported seeing dolphins as recently as last week. There are still plenty of large shorebirds diving into the waves, a sure sign that there are fish out there for the taking, Whitehurst said.

"Those big birds, like the big gannet, go after the bigger fish," he said.

"The fishermen just follow the birds, because that's where the big bluefish are." Winter is the season for ocean rockfish, and there's plenty of bass, speckled perch and a few shad in Back Bay, but some commercial watermen find it difficult to make much money on Back Bay fish these days because these species don't bring high prices, said Whitehurst.

"I haven't fished on Back Bay in a couple of years," he explained. "There are fish out there, but there aren't any money fish."

Eastern Shore oysters have made a comeback this season. Last year, it was almost impossible to buy Chesapeake Bay oysters because disease devastated the harvest, and most of the available oysters were farm-raised in Texas and Louisiana.

"But we're getting some from Delaware now," Whitehurst said. "Those Louisiana oysters just don't satisfy the customer. They're not salty enough."

Most locals prefer oysters that have a salt water flavor, and roasted oysters have become a tradition at Thanksgiving, Christmas and on football weekends. On a recent Saturday, Whitehurst was selling them by the bushel to customers who were anticipating a Sunday game, and he said that he expects to sell out on Super Bowl weekend.

This promises to be a good season for both sport fishing and hunting, Clark said. "We're having the best duck hunting season we've had in a couple of years. 1995 was a good year, 1996 and 1997 were horrible. But this year

there are plenty of ducks out there." The reason, Clark added, is that the grasses that the migratory birds feed on are growing well in Currituck Sounds and Back Bay "so the ducks are here, and they're staying here."

Declining water quality has decreased the growth of aquatic grasses in recent years, but Clark said even so, the growth goes in cycles for no apparent reason.

"I can't see any difference in the water quality, and I fish and hunt out there a lot," he said. "Some people say that the salt water overwash from storms is good for the grasses, but the storms this year weren't really bad enough to cause enough overwash to make any difference. The grass just goes in cycles."

Both saltwater and freshwater rockfish are abundant this year, too, Clark added. He fishes primarily on the fresh waters of Back Bay and Currituck Sounds "but it's been good up on the Chesapeake Bay, and at Sandbridge and False Cape too. And up the Bay near Fisherman's Island, they've really been doing well."

Collards are another local winter tradition, and although most produce stands are closed for the season now, a few local farmers are still selling winter greens, sweet potatoes and rutabagas.

"We have collards and haneover salad right now, and plenty of great rutabagas," said Jim Bright, who sells Christmas trees and collards at his home on Princess Anne Road in Creeds.

"We got hurt a little with the collards this year," he added, "because it was dry this year. We couldn't plant them as early as we usually do because it was so dry here in Creeds. We didn't get the rain they got in Back Bay and Pungo, and with this sandy soil it was real dry here. So the collards are a little smaller than usual."

Many of the produce stores at Farmer's Market will remain open all winter, and on a recent day there were greens, sweet potatoes, apples and locally-grown broccoli available.

The winter wheat crop also adds a touch of green to the winter landscape, but most fields are barren and muddy now, and Princess Anne County's woods, marshes, beaches and fields can appear bleak on a dark winter day. An extreme cold snap will kill the winter-hardy greens, Bright added. "The cold will eventually kill the haneover," Bright said. "A hard, freezing wind will cook it, and we could lose the collards at the same time."

"Oh, it can get cold," Clark said, "and if the wind's blowing, it's really tough."

And, except for the winter fishing and hunting, things are a little quiet right now in Pungo.

"It's slow right now," Whitehurst added. "But it's the same thing every winter. Things will pick up in March."



Seriously funny

All faculty and staff at Cape Henry Collegiate School are required to periodically attend training sessions on blood born pathogens. Nurse educator Barbara Bonheur recruited one of the drama faculty to plan this very entertaining informational event. Bonheur plays herself, while fifth-grade teacher Pamela Radine portrays a teacher and upper school guidance counselor Andy Young plays a needy, injured student in the production.

Pow Wow applications now being accepted

Applications for Native American cultural exhibits are available for the fifth annual Virginia Beach Veteran's Honor Pow Wow to be held May 1 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Mt. Trashmore Park.

Cost is \$65 (non-refundable) acceptance fee for a 10'x10' space or \$130 (non-refundable) acceptance

fee for a 10'x20' space. Exhibitors wishing to share their cultural heritage by displaying or selling items at the Pow Wow can call Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation, 471-5884, to request an application, or visit the City-Wide Programs Office, 2289 Lynnhaven Pkwy.

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Take responsibility of your own finances

Even though a woman's need for financial security is no different than a man's, women may face some unique challenges in their lifetime.

As a woman, it's important to take responsibility for your own financial security whether you plan your finances with a partner or not.

In a recent survey by American Express Financial Advisors Inc., 78 percent of women felt they needed to increase their understanding of financial matters. Although this may seem like a daunting task, it won't be if you follow some helpful tips.

■ Get organized. For starters, you need to know where you stand financially. If your finances are well organized, your job will be much easier. But if they're not—the first thing you'll have to do is get your records in order.

■ Join investment clubs. Investment clubs can provide a fun, inexpensive way to learn more about investing with hands-on experience.

Many club meetings are held at local public libraries. If you're interested in becoming a member of an investment club, check with your local library to see if any women-only clubs are currently available.

■ Talk to friends and family members. Your friends and family are a great source of information. You should remember, though,

that there is no "one size fits all" approach to investing. What's right for your neighbor may not be best for you and your specific situation.

■ Meet with a financial advisor. A knowledgeable opinion can be invaluable to your financial future. A financial advisor can explain your financial options, provide you with advice tailored to your situation and prepare a long-term financial plan.

Virginia Wesleyan plans full Feb. of black history

Black history events at Virginia Wesleyan in February include:

■ Saturday, Feb. 6 — Step Show, with presentations by Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Psi Alpha, Omega Psi Phi at 4 p.m. in the Boyd Dining Center. Admission is \$1.

■ Thursday, Feb. 11 — Black History Mini-Conference presented by Mel Hoover, director of Faith in Action for the Unitarian Universalist Association at 11 a.m. in the Blocker Science Auditorium. Admission is free.

■ Saturday, Feb. 20 — Third Annual Jazz Banquet formal dinner and dance will be held at 8 p.m. in the Boyd Dining Center. Admission is \$15. Call 455-5718 to purchase tickets.

■ Sunday, Feb. 21 — "Circle of Friends": A Celebration of African-American Performing Arts, featuring Benjamin Berry, bass; Dee Cowan, soprano; Elbert Watson, ballet; and H. Nannette Blaine, poetry at 2 p.m. in the Boyd Dining Center. Admission is free.

■ Monday, Feb. 22 — "The Meeting," by Jeff Stetson, is a play about the hypothetical meeting between Martin Luther King and Malcolm X. It will be performed at 8 p.m. in The Studio, Fine Arts 6. Admission is free. Call 455-5718 for reservations.

■ Wednesday, Feb. 24 — African-American Storytelling with H. Nannette Blaine at 7 p.m. in the Boyd Dining Center. Admission is free.

■ Thursday, Feb. 25 — "A Salute to Nat King Cole," featuring Eric Stevens, will be performed at 11 a.m. in the Hofheimer Theater. Admission is free.

■ Saturday, Feb. 27 — "The Two Bases," featuring Benjamin Berry and Peter Lucas singing slave spirituals and art songs at 8 p.m. in the Monumental Chapel. Admission is free.

■ Sunday, Feb. 28 — "Cameron Does The Blues" featuring Cameron Ruffin on acoustic guitar at 2 p.m. in the Village II Commons. Admission is free.

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Wrapped with Love

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia Beach will host "Wrapped with Love," a jewelry workshop. Students will create sophisticated and unique pins "wrapped with love" using a variety of materials and embellishments. The instructor will be Allie-Blue Everett on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost for CAC members \$20/non-members \$25 (includes some materials). Call the education department, 425-0000, for more information or to request a complete schedule of classes and upcoming events.

Musical offering

A spirited, fun-filled offering of instrumental music that all ages will love will be given at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, 19th Street and Pacific Avenue in Virginia Beach, on Sunday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. This program features the Old Dominion University Orchestra and Band under the Baton of Dennis Zeistler. A nursery will be provided and a free-will offering will be received. Call 428-7727 for further information.

Paleontology talk

"Sharks and other Prehistoric Monsters of the Deep," a paleontological lecture by George Powell, is sponsored by Old Dominion Earth Science Society (affiliated with the Eastern Federation of Mineralogy and Lapidary Society) and is set for Friday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. at the Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach campus, Blackwater Building Room C-118. This event is free and open to the public (recommended: school aged through adult). For more information call 467-8570 between 3 and 9 p.m.

Figure on it

"Figuratively Speaking" is the annual invitational exhibit of artists whose inspiration is drawn from the human form. This unique collection of drawings, watercolors, oils, acrylics and pastels opens Friday, Feb. 5 at the Artists Gallery with a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. The public is welcome to attend. "Figuratively Speaking" remains on view through Friday, Feb. 26.

Splash Carnival

Come have a ball at the Splash Carnival at the Kempsville Recreation Center pool on Sunday, Feb. 7 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. All ages are welcome to participate with a membership or day pass. Pizza, games, prizes and the Red Dog Fun Float will be on hand. Children under 9 must be accompanied in the water by someone over age 15. The cost is \$2 per person. For more information call, 474-8492.

Parent workshop

Members of Teens for Change and the PTA at Kemps Landing Magnet School will be hosting a "Parenting with Character" workshop on Jan. 30. Breakout sessions include Internet Safety, Effective Discipline, Communication Skills, Drugs and Alcohol Awareness and Volunteer Opportunities for Students. The workshop is from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Each person attending is asked to pack a bag lunch to participate in the "Parent Bag Lunch Swap."

Book signing

Linda Woods, author of the local bestseller "A Romantic's Guide to Hampton Roads: A Unique Collection of Amorous Activities and Irresistible Destinations" will be signing copies of her book on Saturday, Feb. 13 from noon to 2 p.m. at Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 4485 Virginia Beach Blvd. in Virginia Beach.

Relay Rave dance

A city-wide dance event for students will be held at MWR Rockwell Hall on Little Creek Amphibious Base from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday sponsored by the school system's Virginia Beach City-Wide Student Cooperative Association. Called a "Relay Rave: Party Like It's 1999," the dance is to raise funds for The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life scheduled for May 14-15 at the Amphibious Base. All Virginia Beach public school students are invited. If they bring guests, they will be required to sign in at the door. Tickets for the annual event are available at any of the city's schools for \$5 or for \$8 at the door. At least 1,000 students are expected to attend.

Cost estimates to fix amphitheater sound approach half million mark

Costly remedies suggested to reduce noise

By Lee Cahill
 City Council Reporter

Various alterations at the GTE Virginia Beach Amphitheater that would make the emanating sounds less offensive to neighbors would cost \$400,000 to \$500,000, according to acoustical consultants.

But one council member wondered whether the benefits, which would be limited, would be worth the cost.

N. D. Stewart, of Stewart Acoustical Consultant, Raleigh, N.C., and F. C. Schafer of F.C. Schafer Consulting of Concord, N.C., Tuesday at a City Council workshop presented their study on sound near the amphitheater and presented a number of options to control the sound which reaches the communities of nearby Salem Lakes and Landstown.

Council instructed City Manager James K. Spore and his staff to bring back a recommendation.

Among the options are the addition of baffles which are used at the Walnut Creek Amphitheater in Raleigh, which the consultants used to make comparisons.

The materials for the acoustical materials for treating the perimeter and wing walls of the pavilion would cost \$120,000 to \$150,000, according to the study, but this cost does not include installation labor or the cost of any structural changes needed.

New speakers recommended, which would provide a limited contribution to the sound level in the community, would

cost an estimated 30 or 50 percent more to rent — the speakers are normally rented for the season.

A 15-foot barrier near the property line, according to the consultants, would provide significant benefit for the lower floors and outdoors of the first row of homes and even a 10-foot barrier would help the back yard. There is a substantial stand of trees, the trees are better, but areas along Grey Dove do not have trees. The cost of a 1,600-foot barrier would range from \$160,000 to \$320,000.

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Winter's brunt won't deter this family biz

By Jane Rowe
 Correspondent

"Creekmore's." Dion Mosley paused from his work to answer the phone.

"No ma'am, we don't have any in today, but we'll have some next week. Yes ma'am, check back then."

"It's relaxing here," he explained as he hung up the phone. "I like the people, we get a lot of locals. They know exactly what they want and they know it's fresh."

Creekmore's, a Farmers' Market landmark, is a no-frills sort of place with plain wooden shelves lined with sauces and preserves and wicker baskets full of sweet potatoes, pecans and peanuts.

This time of year, it can get pretty chilly in the open-air stall, and most of the produce sellers at the market have packed up and gone home for the season. But Mosley and his son, Dion III, are still on the job Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturday, selling collards, cabbages and other winter vegetables.

"It gets real cold," Dion III explained. "Most of the time we wear big, warm jackets."

During the winter, most of Mosley's customers, like the lady who called on this recent day, are repeat customers who

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POTATOES ANYONE? Dion Mosley is on the job at his family's produce stand at the Farmers' Market even in the dead of winter when other producers close up shop. He sells honey, collards and sweet potatoes when the temperature plummets.

School program helps kids keep close tabs on globetrotting parents

Children of military families get helping hand

By Kim McCollum
 Correspondent

Virginia Beach's Glenwood Elementary is the largest elementary school in the state, including more than 600 students with a military parent. Many have a parent just going on deployment, while others are just coming home from one.

The guidance department at Glenwood has started a new program for these special students.

There are 14 different groups divided by grade, with each meeting once a week for 30 to 45 minutes. Usually, the groups are small — just six kids or so gathering for five to six weeks. Then the guidance department creates other groups with other students.

This way all of the "military" students will have the benefit of meeting in small groups for more one-on-one attention. Because some class is missed a parent has to sign for permission for the student to be in the group.

Guidance Counselor Gail Seaford has never seen a parent turn down the opportunity for their child to take part in this wonderful program.

Activities help the children cope with their parent's departure. Students may make something for the loved one out to sea, reading books about it, share their feelings, talk about important things that have happened in their lives the past week, learn about where their parent has been or will be, discover how to deal with their parent being gone, learn the military jargon or military "slang" so they can understand some of what their parents talk about, find what their parent might do while on the ship or even learn about shipboard safety.

"The kids are worried about their parent's safety," Seaford explained, "so we had a command volunteer to come to the school and talk to the kids about the safety training that their parent goes through. During the holiday, the students made pillowcases with their own creative touches to send to their parent. They share news together of what has happened in the last week, especially if they heard from their parent."



Photo by Kim McCollum

ANOTHER HAPPY CUSTOMER. Students in Gail Seaford's third grade class keep in touch with their globetrotting military parents through a special guidance program. Regular letters and small group gatherings help the children better deal with a parent's departure.

ent." Student Stefan Weldon boasted, "I told my dad that he owes me \$2 because I cleaned my room!"

The group also discusses where their parents has been and will be going, so these kids not only get the benefit of support, but a short geography lesson as well. They color on a map and point out on the globe where their parent is or will be soon. These kids know many different countries already and know where they are on the map to point it out and color.

The kids, of course, miss their dads and moms, but they understand that it is their job.

Erika Blackmoore puts it best when she said, "Yes, I miss him, but I know that he has to go away."

The school has a new computer with e-mail so that the children can come to the guidance office and e-mail his or her parent if they feel the need.

The counselors give these kids something that they might not get otherwise. That is the support and understanding that the kids need to make it through a rough time.

After all, it is a rough time for the parents to get through also — and they may need help through it as well as the child.

Summer visitation survey shows Beach improvements paying off

Special to the Sun

Virginia Beach summer visitors are older, better educated and spending more money than ever before, according to a study just released by Old Dominion University's Bureau of Research.

The Summer 1998 Virginia Beach Overnight Visitor Profile also reveals beach visitors appreciate the improvements made at the oceanfront so much they are now "brand loyal" and will vacation here again soon.

"Brand loyalty isn't something that just happens — it's calculated and it's earned," said James B. Ricketts, director of the Virginia Beach Department of Convention and Visitor Development.

"The number of repeat visitors and those who will return is testimony to such improvements as the continued

Boardwalk renovation, Virginia Marine Science Museum expansion and new entertainment programs, such as Beach Street USA. Our visitors are telling us they like what we're doing, and they'll be back."

In 1998, 72.7 percent of Virginia Beach summer visitors were repeat visitors, and 85.1 percent said they plan to return in the next two years.

Virginia Beach reported a potentially record-breaking summer season, with a total of 818,252 citywide room nights for the three-month period from June through August, compared to 821,920 for the summer of 1997.

Absent Hurricane Bonnie, this would

have been the best summer ever, the study reported. With the proportion of weekend visitors showing increases steadily over the past three years, Virginia Beach is reaching its physical hotel capacity, especially during the summer months of July and August.

A significant increase in visitor party spending confirms that Virginia Beach visitors are spending more money than ever. The average visiting party, about 3.8 people, spent approximately \$1,128 over the course of their visit, an increase over \$1,096 from 1997 and \$1,057 in 1994. And the higher the average household income, the more money was spent in Virginia Beach. Visitors reporting incomes greater than \$55,000 spent one-third more during their visit than those

with incomes of \$35,000 or less.

On average, visitors stayed 4.3 nights in Virginia Beach this summer. Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York and Maryland represented the top five states of visitor origin, with the majority of visitors traveling from the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions.

Other finds in the Old Dominion University survey reflect a national trend toward more frequent and "close-in" vacations. The proportion of weekend visitors rose from 19.7 percent in 1997 to 24.6 percent in 1998, the survey shows. The metropolitan areas of Washington, D.C. and Richmond were the two largest identifiable "close in" markets. Together, these areas accounted for one in four visitors to Virginia Beach.

Commentary

AMERICAN HEART MONTH

Take charge of your health

Heart attack is commonly believed to be a "man's problem," yet the latest statistics tell another story:

- Nationally, cardiovascular diseases claim 505,000 female lives every year — more than the next 16 causes of death combined and almost twice the number of deaths caused by all forms of cancer.

- Coronary heart disease is the number one killer of females in America today.

- More than one in five females have some form of cardiovascular diseases.

- Every year since 1984 more women than men have died of cardiovascular diseases. The difference in deaths currently is more than 50,000.

- Almost 20,000 females under age 65 die of coronary heart disease each year; more than 33 percent of them are under 55.

- In 63 percent of women who died suddenly of coronary heart disease, there was no previous evidence of the disease.

- Within six years after a recognized heart attack, 31 percent of women will have another heart attack.

With this in mind, once again the National Women's Heart Disease and Stroke Campaign — Take Wellness to Heart — will provide the theme for the American Heart Association's (AHA) 1999 observance of American Heart Month.

Each February, during American Heart Month, the AHA launches a nationwide educational campaign about cardiovascular diseases.

Building on its tremendous success in spreading the word about women and cardiovascular disease last February, the association will continue to emphasize the Women's Campaign during American Heart Month 1999. The ongoing campaign was launched in September 1997. Programs and activities will reinforce the message that cardiovascular disease is the top threat to the overall health and lives of American women.

For February the special message is "Take Charge!" In delivering this message, the AHA encourages women to learn the risk factors for heart disease and stroke and take action to eliminate all modifiable risk factors from their lives.

Women can reduce their risks of heart disease as well as stroke by not smoking, controlling their cholesterol levels, controlling high blood pressure, being physically active, maintaining a healthy weight and drinking alcohol only in moderation. Studies also show that after menopause, hormone replacement therapy may help reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke.

Take Charge also addresses another special message for American Heart Month 1999 — the association's growing concern about importance to cardiovascular health of patient compliance with prescription instructions and medical instructions.

The American Heart Association says because women play a central role in family health decisions, they have a unique opportunity to increase compliance and thus enhance the health and well being of themselves, their families and their loved ones.

During the season of hearts, take charge of your own health. Life is a beautiful thing to live for. — V.E.H.

SURE IT'S BAD. I JUST DON'T THINK IT RISES TO THE LEVEL OF AN 'F'!



'We Are Family' is a way of life

"We Are Family" isn't just a popular '80s tune in the Hecht household. It's a way of life.

When little Mitch came into the world in October, I admit that Evan and I still had



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

romantic dreams about parenthood and becoming a family. Of course, our baby would immediately sleep through the night — allowing Mom and Dad to rest up for another perfect day in family land.

He would never fuss, much less have colic. Finally, he would always be in perfect health.

Taking Mitch home and struggling to make a go of being first-time parents shattered that image.

Mitch still isn't sleeping through the night, though he is getting better. He's done his share of fussing, and we went through a month of colic beginning at week three. And his health was OK until contracting a

nasty cold.

In an idyllic world, our baby would be as pink and cooing as those cherubs that infant photographer Anne Geddes captures on film for books and posters.

But he's not. He's a normal, healthy, happy baby with his share of spit-ups, dirty diapers and childhood illnesses.

Evan and I have learned that's OK. We've also learned that as long as we all stick together, we can make it through those restless nights and crying sessions.

After all, we are family.

Every now and then when Mitch goes to spend the night with a grandparent, affording Mom and Dad a night of uninterrupted sleep, it's a real treat.

Sure, we slumber. Yet we also miss our little man. We wonder what he's up to, when he ate, whether he accomplished some new feat and if he's being a good boy for his grandparents.

When we pick him up in the morning, we relish being regaled with tales of his every diaper change and smile. It's almost like we've been away from him for months, not just overnight.

I swear that I can actually tell when he's grown — even after just a few hours.

As Mitch nears the four-month

mark, I know "We Are Family" is our song.

Evan and I can't imagine life without our tiny son, nor would we want to. In fact, it's hard to remember what the days were like before mixing bottles of formula each evening, stocking the diaper bag and washing loads of tiny clothes. Our days would not be complete without his sweet smiles.

According to all the books on baby care and parenthood that I've read, we must be "bonding."

Even after only a few hours of sleep when Mitch has a rough evening, I can't wait to greet him in the morning with a hug. Nestling his warm baby body against my chest is the perfect remedy for any ache, pain or lack of sleep.

Being a family means sticking together through thick and thin, even if it takes a "tag team" approach.

If means unconditional love through the good and the bad, sickness and health.

It means functioning as a "we" instead of an "I."

Mitch has helped us understand all that. We don't live for ourselves anymore — we live for each other.

This whole family thing is an awesome responsibility, but we like it. As one unit we are at our best.

Yes, "We Are Family" and we love it!

Virginia kids shortchanged on schoolhouses

By Scott Bates

I remember going to class in a cute red brick schoolhouse. It may not have been the Ritz, but there was plenty of room for all the kids and a comfortable environment for learning. That's what all of Virginia's children deserve. That's not what they are getting. Instead, our children are getting shortchanged.

Gov. Gilmore's spokesperson, Lila Young, said about the state budget, "There's more money to go around than anyone's ever seen before." Ms. Young is right. The Commonwealth currently has a surplus of more than \$860 million. The longest peacetime economic expansion in American history continues and Virginia has an unemployment rate of under 3 percent. These are the best of times.

But not for our children.

The Thomas Jefferson Center for Educational Design at the University of Virginia has just completed a comprehensive review of Virginia's school districts to determine if school overcrowding is a problem. The study shows that school overcrowding in Virginia is not a problem — it's a crisis.

More than one third of the school districts responding to the survey had to close at least one school during the school year because of building problems. Two thirds of the school districts had to turn storage rooms and other non instructional areas into classrooms to accommodate students. These spaces range from old closets to a converted coal bin.

Statewide there are more than 3,000 trailers in use as classrooms. "To point out that trailers pose challenges for teachers and school officials is to risk understatement," the study said. Trailers often lack water and computer hookups, and students lose valuable time walking between the trailers and the main school building.

This is not simply a matter of comfort. More than half of the school districts reporting noted that overcrowded schools prevented them from reducing the student-teacher ratio. Studies have found that the smaller the number of students in a classroom, the better the opportunity for learning. Virginia's overcrowded schools are hurting

our children's education.

Last year Gov. Gilmore was pressured by Democrats in the General Assembly into providing \$110 million for school construction. This was a price Gilmore had to pay to secure clear sailing for his car tax cut. The funds needed for school construction in Virginia run into the billions. Gilmore has no plans for additional surplus funds to be specifically designated for school construction.

The test of a great society is how we treat the very young and the very old. These are the best of time — record numbers of Virginians have jobs and state surplus funds are at an all-time high.

If we can't repair schools for Virginia's children now, then when? The governor should follow the lead of those in the General Assembly who are calling for funding school construction.

Virginia must pass this test, to let our children make the grade.

Scott Bates is the former Virginia Secretary of State. He comments weekly on state politics.

A closer look at 'Dysfunctional President' Clinton

In his book "The Dysfunctional President," Dr. Paul Fick is the first licensed clinical psychologist to explain why Bill Clinton behaves the way he does.



The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

Woodward's bestselling "The Agenda" and Elizabeth Drew's "On the Edge: The Clinton Presidency," which provides numerous examples of Clinton's behavior that can be found among people suffering from this syndrome.

In this compelling and highly controversial book, Dr. Fick for the first time offers an explanation as to why Clinton exhibits a strong tendency to lie, by nature is indecisive, creates chaos around him, often denies personal responsibility and indulges in behavior that is clearly self-destructive.

The "Dysfunctional President" reveals that the President, whose stepfather was a violent alcoholic, suffers from a syndrome common to adult children of alcoholics. Clinton's life is a classic case history of this syndrome. When he was 4 years old, his mother married Roger Clinton Sr. His stepfather was an alcoholic and a violent man. He physically assaulted Clinton's mother and once discharged a gun inside the home. When Bill was 14, his stepfather's behavior resulted in divorce. However, one year later over Bill's objections, his mother remarried Roger and young Bill continued to live in their home until he went away to college.

According to the author, Bill Clinton responded to his stepfather's alcoholism and violence by assuming what is often characterized as the hero role. This is the family member who excels, indeed over-achieves.

In 1974, during the Nixon days before his resignation, Bill Clinton had an opinion on what constituted "high crimes and misdemeanors" which justified impeachment. This was what said February 1974 in "The Grapevine": "I think the definition should include any criminal acts plus a willful failure of the president to fulfill his duty to uphold and execute the laws of the United States. Another factor that I think constitutes and impeachable offense would be willful, reckless behavior in office, just totally incompetent conduct of the office and the disregard of the necessities that the office demands."

Of course, that applies to other presidents, but not Bill Clinton. Welcome to the real world.

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Rabies Awareness Week puts 'bite' into the issue

Last week, Jan. 17-23, Virginia Beach participated in Rabies Awareness Week, a statewide campaign to inform our citizens about rabies prevention. This event is sponsored by the Virginia Veterinary Medical Association (VVMA) and the Virginia Department of Health, and features educational opportunities for children and adults to learn more about rabies and how it may affect them and their animals. Reduced fee rabies vaccinations were also available at area veterinary clinics to increase the number of pets protected from this deadly disease.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorfer

As many of you already know, Virginia Beach continues to experience the rabies outbreak that began in 1992.

In the past three years alone 40 cases of animal rabies have been reported and we have already added one to that in 1999.

Our award-winning "Kids Against Rabies" program was presented to two Virginia Beach Schools and the video was also shown on our VPTV Channel 48 all last week. The Virginia Beach Department of Public Health has a rabies education display in each of our seven public libraries. Literature and flyers were distributed citywide in an effort to inform our citizens of the Rabies Awareness Week activities.

As part of the week, many of our Virginia Beach veterinarians provided reduced cost rabies vaccination in their clinics last week. We are hoping to have exceeded the 621 rabies shots given to pet dogs, cats and ferrets during Rabies Awareness Week last year.

The recent death of a Virginia resident from rabies underscores the importance for Virginia Beach pet owners to take the threat of rabies seriously and have their pets vaccinated against the fatal disease. Our pets can be protected by safe and effective vaccines. Our pets are the link between the rabies outbreak in wildlife and our families.

It is critical to protect this link. This is why it's so important to keep current on rabies vaccinations to protect pets and, more important, so they cannot transmit rabies to people.

Of the 81 cases of animal rabies reported in Virginia Beach since the epidemic began in 1992, 12 dogs have had to be euthanized due to exposure to a rabid raccoon or bat. The owners of these dogs had failed to have their pets vaccinated and had

no protection against rabies infection.

The January rabies case involved a dog that was exposed to a rabid raccoon in the owner's backyard. Unfortunately, the owners allowed the rabies vaccination to expire and after it tangled with the raccoon the dog had to be euthanized.

Nationwide, only about one-third pet owners have their animals vaccinated for rabies. In Virginia Beach our goal is to overcome these odds and achieve a 100-percent vaccinated pet population and protect our citizens in the face of the ongoing epidemic.

Together the city of Virginia Beach Animal Control Bureau and the Virginia Beach Department of public health will continue to work diligently throughout the year to inform the public and to enforce the rabies laws. If you have a pet dog or cat, remember, state law requires them to be vaccinated by four months of age.

Dr. Venita Newby-Owens, director, Virginia Beach Department of Public Health, urges citizens and visitors to protect themselves by avoiding wildlife and stray dogs and cats, reporting all animal bites and scratches and having their dog and cats vaccinated regularly.

Vanessa Baird, rabies coordinator for the city, contributed to this column.

Atrium Resort Hotel robber sought by police

Virginia Beach police need your help in locating a robbery suspect.

On Nov. 26 at 11:08 p.m., a male entered the Atrium Resort Hotel from the 21st Street entrance, walked up to the clerk and stated "Give me the money or I will blow your head off." The suspect jumped the counter and took an undetermined amount of cash out of the register.

The suspect is white with a medium build, light color eyes, in his late 20s and was clean shaven. He wore a dark brown wool coat with a hood, dark pants and had very dirty hands and fingernails.

Crime Solvers will pay up to \$1,000 for information about this case or any other crime. Call 1-888-LOCK-UP. As always, you will remain anonymous and will not have to appear in court.



Crime Solvers

By Det. Mike Cashwell, Virginia Beach Police Department

can be made by calling the refuge, 721-2412, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The tour will leave from the Visitor Contact Station, located in southern Virginia Beach at the south end of Sandpiper Road in the community of Sandbridge. There will be no charge for the program, however, an entrance fee of \$4 per vehicle is required. Entrance fees are waived for those persons possessing Golden Eagle, Golden Age, Golden Access, Annual Refuge Passes or current Federal Duck Stamp.

Winter wildlife walk scheduled at refuge

A winter wildlife walk will be held at the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. The walk will be conducted by refuge volunteer Reese Lakei and will last until 2:30 p.m.

The walking tour will be at a leisurely pace along the refuge trails and boardwalks open year-round. During this walk, the ecology, geology and general history of the refuge will be discussed. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable walking shoes and binoculars are recommended.

Pre-registration is required and

Chamber honors Fort Story Soldier, NCO of the Year

The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce will present the second annual Fort Story Soldier and Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year Luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 11:30 a.m.

The event, held at the Fort Story Community Club in Virginia Beach, honors outstanding Army personnel for the contribution to the community. This luncheon strengthens the relationship between the military and business community.

"A soldier can be an important asset to any community," said Post Sgt. Maj. John W. King, "By depicting the way and manner we as soldiers apply these values of leadership in the Army, soldiers become good citizen to the community."

Command Sgt. Maj. Donald H. Sheppard, Center and Regimental CSM, Fort Eustis and Fort Story, will be the guest speaker.

USA Discounters is sponsoring the event. Reservations are required by Feb. 6. The cost is \$20 per person. A table of 10 to include seven military and three business associates is \$180. For reservations, call the Chamber's Reservations Hotline, 664-2558. For more information call Jan Burton, 664-2575.

The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce is a 2,800 member-firm business action organization committed to building the business climate, providing for future economic expansion and improving quality of life in Hampton Roads.

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Wayne Jones' passion for flowers started when he was just knee-high to a sunflower on his daddy's North Carolina farm.

"I started doing flowers when I was about 10 years old. We grew carnations, snapdragons, gladiolus and zinnias — make that which I grow," he clarified, "and which I sold. My father was a farmer and my mother was a designer/restaurateur, and I loved flowers. I've always loved flowers."

The owner of Flowers-Wayne Jones, one of the best known florists in Virginia Beach, Jones has literally made a name for himself as an ambassador of flowers. For the past 21 years, he has been the American Floral Services' goodwill ambassador to the flower industry. His designs have been showcased in the White House during several administrations, and he has hosted demonstrations in North and South America, England, Germany, Israel, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and Egypt.

Looking back, it's amazing that Jones' worldwide journeys with flowers started from that little Hamilton, N.C. farm.

"It occurred to me a few years ago that my father was my first employee, because he's the one who actually took me around when we had to make deliveries," he reminisced.

"We sold fresh flowers by the bunch and gave away lots, too. And in the early days, we received some flowers from supply houses by bus and train. When I convinced my father that I really wanted to be in flowers as a business, he let me have a place where we lived by my flower shop. It was called Jones the Florist. My business phone was the pay phone in my mom's restaurant," he chuckled.

Jones the Florist, opened in 1960 in the town of 500 residents, was his first enterprise. He also attended Chowan College and Eastern Carolina University before serving a short stint in the Navy from 1966 to 1969. Jones and his high school sweetheart, wife Louinda, opened their current Virginia Beach boutique after that.

Flowers-Wayne Jones has been a local fixture since 1972.

"When I named the store, I wanted people to think of me when they think of flowers," he explained. "My inspiration was a very old, established shop called Flowers-Tommy Luke in Portland, Ore., which has been in business since 1906. It isn't Flowers by Wayne Jones because Wayne Jones doesn't make flowers. Only God makes flowers. Thus, Flowers-Wayne Jones. I look at it that God makes the flowers and gave me the talent to use them."

Jones' affiliation with the White House began during the Nixon administration when his secretary asked the Joneses to deliver the president's personal orders to returning local POWs and "keep it quiet." From there he was asked to do the floral designs for a POW dinner party, after which the invitations kept coming.

"We considered it an honor to be selected," Jones said. "We were part of history. From there lots of invitations to state dinners came along. We were just thankful for the opportunity."

Jones' talents have taken him around the world. One of his most pleasant memories was departing from Amsterdam, through the North Sea and cruising up the Rhine River while giving floral design workshops. He also fondly recalls a class in Italy in which all the participants spoke full Italian — and he spoke only full English.

"But I guess the language of flowers is universal," he smiled.

Understandably, Jones' passion for flowers colors his outlook on life. "We are part of history. From there lots of invitations to state dinners came along. We were just thankful for the opportunity."

A member of numerous floral societies and organizations, few people can boast that there is a bloom named after them. Jones is humbled that there is an orchid named for him and registered with the Royal Horticultural Society.

As for a favorite flower, Jones maintains that "it's probably the orchid named for me, but my favorites change. It depends on the day."



Name: Wayne Jones.

What brought you to this area: I came to work for an old, established florist in Norfolk after college.

Hometown: Hamilton, N.C.

Age: 54.

Nickname: It depends on who's using it.

Occupation: Retail florist.

Marital Status: Married to high school sweetheart and next door neighbor Louinda since Sept. 26, 1965.

Children: Two: Alice, 24, a travel agent; and Ruth, 13, a student and the current Miss Pre-Teen America.

Favorite movies: 'My Fair Lady' and most anything on American Movies Classics.

Magazines I read regularly: Florist Review, Florist, American Funeral Director and Flowers.

Favorite authors: Bernice Kelly Harris, Zane Grey and Will Rodgers.

Favorite night out on the town: Any night Virginia Musical Stage is doing one of its shows.

Favorite restaurant: Steinheilber's.

Favorite meal and beverage: Chicken salad and a Coca-Cola.

What most people don't know about me: What's truly on my mind.

Best thing about myself: I try to keep my word and deliver what I promise.

Worst habit: Putting things off to the last minute.

Pets: A cat, Apricot, and a dog, Puppy.

Hobbies: Playing gym harp, reading and collecting penguins.

Ideal vacation: Any place in Great Britain, especially London.

Pet peeves: When other people aren't on time.

First job: Driving a dump truck for the state of North Carolina.

Least liked job: Same as above.

Favorite sports team: Pittsburgh Penguins.

Favorite musicians: Elissa Dickon, a harpist.

Most embarrassing moment: Showing up for a board meeting a week early.

How I would like to be remembered: As tall, dark, handsome and generous beyond a fault.

If I received \$1 million: I'd set up a foundation to endow the Judeo-Christian Outreach Youth Home (which is getting under way) to be a reality.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I would advertise our fabulous city and throw in a little commercial for the shop.

YMCA selects '99 Outstanding Women

Twelve local women will be honored at the 11th annual YMCA Outstanding Women Awards Luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 25 at noon at the Clarion Hotel in downtown Norfolk.

Proceeds will benefit the YMCA shelter for battered women, welfare-to-work program, school-age child care and breast cancer programs.

This year's winners are:

■ Arts: Billye Brown Youmans, director of music, Great Bridge Presbyterian Church.

■ Business: Deborah K. Stearns, president, Hampton Roads Region, Goodman Segar Hogan Hoffer, Chair, Norfolk Airport Authority.

■ Communications: Kay Tucker Addis, editor, The Virginian-Pilot.

■ Public Education: Dr. Pamela C. Kloppeit, senior coordinator of guidance, Norfolk Public Schools.

■ Higher Education: Linda M.

Rice, chair, Tidewater Community College's Health Science Technology Division.

■ Government/Politics: Duan S. Hester, council woman, Norfolk City Council, coordinator, Pupil Personnel, Norfolk Public Schools.

■ Health/Science/Fitness: Vicki Griesemer Gray, vice president of planning, Sentara Healthcare.

■ Military: Aaroneeta Stewart, networking engineering assistant, Admtec Intelligence Command.

■ Professional: Anita Owings Poston, attorney, Vandewater Black LLP, Chair, Norfolk School Board.

■ Religion: Kathryn Wolf-Steinberg, principal, Portsmouth United Religious School; director, Dependent Care Services Division, The Planning Council.

■ Volunteerism: Alicia Fernan-

dez Bobulinski, board member, "The Making a Difference Foundation"; and Sandra Smith-Jones, president, Virginia Beach NAACP.

Tickets can be obtained by calling the YMCA, 625-4248, general admission \$35, Mastercard/Visa accepted.

Celebrate Black History Month

Bow Creek Recreation Center hosts Celebrate Black History Month during February with these events:

■ Feb. 6 — Jeopardy, 1 to 2 p.m. and 3 to 4 p.m. (room 3); also guest speaker Pandora Johnson, public relations, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

■ Feb. 13 — Guest speaker Greg Mack, Naval investigative agent, 2 to 3:30 p.m. (room 3); also, 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament (gym) 3 to 4 p.m.

cepted. Raffle tickets for a \$1,000 MacArthur Center shopping spree sponsored by Harvey Lindsay Commercial Real Estate will be available at the event and can also be purchased in advance.

■ Feb. 20 — Guest speaker Ronnie Stephenson, public relations, 2 to 3:30 p.m. (room 3); also, 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament (gym) 3 to 4 p.m.

■ Feb. 27 — Guest speaker Sonia Seymore, 3 to 3:15 p.m. (gym); also, Step Team/Dance/Dutch Exhibition, 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. (gym).

For information call Bow Creek Community Recreation Center, 431-3765.



Civil rights leaders share beliefs in 'The Meeting'

"The Meeting" by Jeff Stetson is a play about a hypothetical meeting between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. Set in a Harlem hotel room in 1965, the meeting of the two civil rights activists takes place approximately one week before Malcolm X was assassinated. The dialogue examines the similarities and differences in their philosophies and provides insight into the private lives of these two men. Although they never met, "The Meeting" suggests they would make a good team in their struggle to secure civil rights for African-Americans. Virginia Wesleyan students Clinton Allen, left, and Nathaniel Brooks portray the American legends. The play is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs. It will be performed Monday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m. in The Studio, Fine Arts 6. Admission is free. Seating is limited. Call 455-5718 for reservations.

'Art of Glass' debuts on billboards

The Chrysler Museum of Art and Contemporary Art Center of Virginia have joined forces to bring four of the world's most celebrated contemporary glass artists to Hampton Roads this spring.

The "Art of Glass" exhibition is the major visual arts component of the Virginia Waterfront International Arts Festival and represents the first truly regional art exhibition of this magnitude in Hampton Roads.

As a preview for this extraordinary event, Adams Outdoor Advertising has initiated a giant billboard campaign that will be on view throughout Hampton Roads until April.

Four different designs featuring the work of glass superstar Dale Chihuly are featured on the boards in 16 different locations. To date, 15 boards have been installed. Ginny Petty, a seven-year veteran art director with Adams Outdoor's Norfolk office, designed the full-color billboards.

Adams Outdoor, headquartered in Atlanta, is led by Kevin Gleason, president and CEO. His appreciation for and collection of glass art inspired the Norfolk office of Adams Outdoor to donate the billboard campaign that is valued at \$250,000. Gleason met Dale Chihuly while attending Rhode Island School of Design and the two developed a friendship that has lasted over the years.

Two years ago, Dale Chihuly played host to Adams Outdoor employees at his Seattle studio known as the Boathouse.



THE ART OF GLASS. Billboards like this one in Virginia Beach are popping up around Hampton Roads to promote the Chrysler Museum exhibit.

Gleason has also made acquaintances with the three other glass artists who will be exhibiting as part of the "Art of Glass" at the Chrysler Museum — William Morris, Therman Statom and Stephen Antonakos — in the exhibition "Hot Glass, Flat Glass and Neon." "Dale Chihuly: Installations" will be featured at the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia. Art of Glass will open at both locations on April 18. In addition,

other regional art centers and universities will host educational programs and shows during the exhibition, which will be on view throughout the summer.

Adams Outdoor estimates that 93 percent of the Hampton Roads population will be exposed to the billboard campaign announcing Art of Glass.

"This is such a wonderful opportunity to expose this market to fine art," said Gardener King, general manager of Adams Outdoor in Norfolk. "The collaboration of both the Chrysler Museum and the Contemporary Art Center sets the tone for all of our cities to work together to build Hampton Roads into a major market. We hope the beauty of the art inspires everyone to see the exhibition," added King.

'All in Day's Work'

Inventories, wills and other Princess Anne County records will be utilized in a special tour at the Francis Land House Historic Site and Gardens. The tour, entitled "All in a Day's Work: The Plantation Slaves," is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 6 at 2 p.m.

Local historian Thomas Sledge will encourage visitors to explore the daily life of the slaves on the

18th-century Francis Land Plantation.

Each participant will be given a transcription of some of the early documents. This program is included in the regular admission price of \$3 adults; \$2.50 senior citizens; \$2 students (13 plus) and \$1.50 children (6-12).

Reservations are required. Call 431-4000 for information and reservations.

All aboard for a bus tour of Back Bay

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge and False Cape State Park will offer a bus tour to all visitors on Saturday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m. Visitors will not want to miss this opportunity to view the interior of the Refuge and Park during the closure period and learn more about various habitats and management techniques. Opportunities to see wildlife are possible.

Everyone is encouraged to sign up for the tour. Space is limited to 19 individuals and reservations are required. Make reservations by calling the refuge, 721-2412, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. Participants are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather, and may wish to bring binoculars, field guides and cameras.

The tour will leave from the Visitor Contact Station, located in southern Virginia Beach at the south end of Sandpiper Road in the community of Sandbridge. There will be no charge for the program, however, an entrance fee of \$4 per vehicle is required. Entrance fees are waived for those persons possessing Golden Eagle, Golden Age, Golden Access, Annual Refuge Passes or current Federal Duck Stamp.

Old Coast Guard Station opens tribute exhibition

The Old Coast Guard Station at 24th Street and Atlantic Avenue in Virginia Beach presents "African-Americans in the Coast Guard."

This exhibit relates to the role of African-Americans in the long and illustrious history of the United States Coast Guard. Of special interest to Tidewater residents is the role of African-Americans at the Cape Henry Life-Saving Station and the Life-Saving Station at Pea Island, N.C.

The exhibit opens Feb. 2 and can be seen through Feb. 28.

The Old Coast Guard Station is at 24th Street and Atlantic Avenue in Virginia Beach. The museum is open to 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for

adults, \$2.50 for military and senior citizens and \$1 for young people aged 6 to 18. Museum members receive free admission.

The Old Coast Guard Station is housed in the former Virginia Beach Coast Guard Station. The building is a Virginia Historic Landmark on the National Register of Historic Places. Its exhibits tell the history of the Life-Saving/Coast Guard Service and stories of heroic shipwreck rescues. It is the home of TowerCAM, the interactive exhibit that gives the visitor a view from the watchtower. Also featured is a War Years exhibit showing the German U-Boat presence along the Atlantic Coast in 1942 as World War II was beginning.

Specialist on ADHD speaks

Gwenyth Edwards, chief of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center's Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Clinic, will speak Jan. 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Regent University Library Auditorium.

Her presentation on "Behavior Management and Problem-Solving Communication Training for Families of Teens with ADHD and Oppositional Defiant Disorder" is a part of Regent's Doctor of Psychology Colloquia Series.

"This speaker series gives students cutting edge exposure to top research in the field of psychology and a vision for excellence in professional development," says Dr. William Hathaway, Clinical Director of Regent's Doctor of Psychology program.

In March, Lu Anne Kern Lewis,

a graduate of Regent's M.A. Program in Counseling, will speak on the collaboration of mental health professionals and physicians in treating children holistically. The final colloquium in April will feature Dr. Gilbert Sorensen, a Department of Defense Prescribing Psychologist, focuses on "Antidepressant Psychopharmacology" and prescription privileges for psychologists.

Regent University's Doctor of Psychology Colloquia Series is one facet of a program which strives to provide the best professional training available to students. Presentations in this series are open to the general public. For further information about the Regent Doctor of Psychology Colloquia Series contact the Regent Psychological Services Center, 226-4488.

Regent University School of Law hosts Moot Court sessions Feb. 5-7

Regent University School of Law will host the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition on Friday, Feb. 5 through Sunday, Feb. 7. These federal judges from Washington, D.C. and a former United States Registrar of Copyrights will preside.

The Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition was founded in the spring of 1959 by a group of international law students from Harvard University, Columbia University and the University of Virginia. Originally named the "International Law Moot," the Jessup Competition held its first round at Harvard University on May 3, 1959. In the subsequent 37 years, the Jessup Competition has risen to the pre-

eminent position of being the world's largest and most prestigious international law moot court competition. Today, approximately 1,500 students from more than 300 law schools in almost 50 nations on six continents participate in the competition.

This year, Regent University School of Law will host its first Eastern regional competition. Ten law school teams in the region will participate and each team will argue twice. There will be three judges on each panel (judges and attorneys).

Along with other judges and local attorneys, the three federal judges that will participate are: The Honorable Eric Brungink, Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims; The Honorable Edward Houry, Chief Judge, Washington Boards of Contract Appeals; and The Honorable Howard Pollack, Vice Chair, Washington Boards of Contract Appeals.

The Washington Boards of Contract Appeals have jurisdiction over all contract lawsuits against the United States and share this jurisdiction with the United States Court of Federal Claims. In addition, the Honorable Ralph Oman, a former U.S. Register of Copyrights and Chairman of the American Bar Association's Committee on International Copyright Treaties and Law will also judge. He is counsel to the Washington, D.C. law firm of Deschert, Price and Rhoads.

For information on the Phillip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition contact Jane Riley Leach, Regent University School of Law, Executive Director of Development and Law Relations, 226-4581.



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Don't sweat winter balm — for now, Cullipher advises

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

Balmy mid-winter days bring a type of guilty pleasure to local residents.

It's impossible not to enjoy the unseasonably warm, sunny weather, and most people can't help feeling a little gleeful when they see forsythia bloom out of season or grass turn green in January. But many gardeners fret that too much warmth now will mean fewer blooms this spring.

While that's probably true, go ahead and enjoy the weather and don't worry too much about what will happen next, advised Louis Cullipher, Cullipher, the city agriculture director, who said that it's really too soon to tell how much, if any damage the weather's causing.

"We should go ahead and enjoy it," he said.

The premature blooms might mean that there will be a few less flowers this spring "but chances are they won't all bloom now, so there will still be some bloom later. Most people look at it as the cup is half empty and half full. We'll have some now and some later."

This fall, an unusually long Indian summer, one coaxed a few azaleas into bloom. Then, after a brief cold snap, temperatures climbed back into the 60s and 70s and flowering perennials began to bud out again.

Still, Cullipher said, they're not fully bloomed: most of them are holding back some buds. And the more frost-sensitive plants, like fig trees, are still dormant so they probably won't be damaged by the unseasonable weather.

A severe, sudden cold snap could damage some plants, Cullipher added.

"The potential for damage is a lot greater when you have a sudden change in temperature."

Farmers are particularly the winter wheat crop.

"We're concerned that the wheat might be getting too much growth," Cullipher said, "and a severe freeze would damage it."

Extended warm weather could bring problems of a different sort, however. Too much warm weather may or may not be bad for plants, but it's almost surely good for the insects, Cullipher added.

"We've really had very little freezing weather," he said "and it was warm last year too. We suspect that the insect population is building, and that's not good. The ground isn't really cold enough to kill the larvae."

Rainfall, Cullipher added, is running about normal, so most gardeners don't need to worry about watering their perennials during the warm periods. In this area there's usually plenty of moisture during the winter, and about the only time plants suffer from lack of water is during extremely cold periods when the ground is frozen.

"We actually get most of our rainfall in July and August," Cullipher said, "but this time of the year the plants aren't using much water, so that's why it seems like it's the wet time of year. But if the ground freezes, water's not available for the plants. That's why they tell you to make sure they have plenty of water going into the winter."

Cullipher, a life-long Virginia Beach resident, said that he expects a warm day every now and then in the winter. But he's a little surprised that we've had so many this year.

"We've always had a few individual days in January that are warm, but to be this warm for this many days is unusual." Experts disagree about whether that's due to the depletion in the ozone layer, he added.

"I think that's very interesting, there's been a lot written about that," he said. "And I like to read all of the information on both sides of that question," he said. Some experts, he added, say that the recent warming trend actually dates back 50 years, before fossil fuels were as widely used as they are now.

"And the weather really is very cyclical," he added.



Super Citizens recognized

Glenwood Elementary School is continuing its Super Citizen program. The student good citizens and their parents are invited to a banquet in the library, after which they are congratulated by principals Ralph Mizelle and Sue Tolley, sing the "Super Citizen Song" and receive award certificates. Three of Glenwood's Partners in Education — Walmart and Chick-fil-A at Salem Crossing and Pizza Hut at Acredale — provide coupons and the cake for the program. Super Citizens are picked by the students' teachers for demonstrating outstanding citizenship throughout the month. First grader Reid Peterson is pictured at his Super Citizen banquet with his parents and sister Kyndal.

Rumors and innuendoes about Jacksonville move raises council concern

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

Tension was in the air, said Mayor Meyera Oberndorf, when she visited families last week who will be moving to Norfolk from Jacksonville, Fla. with the jets that are being transferred from there to the Naval Air Station at Oceana.

At a City Council work session Tuesday, she said that rumors and innuendoes have a large cost.

She said that tension was in the air and people would not know: "Is it true that people in Virginia Beach do not want us to come?"

She said that someone has taken the time to send very negative articles and letters that have appeared in the newspapers to the people in Jacksonville. She said that the families were told that the traffic is so bad that it is often bumper to bumper and doesn't move, that there would not be housing available. One young lady was upset because she didn't know where she would live and whether her children would have school books.

Fortunately, the Virginia Beach group had textbooks from here and

a contingent of people from agencies like the Chamber of Commerce, who provided the information the families wanted. She said that the families were also interested in the availability of part-time jobs for spouses and even tent allowed on cars in Virginia — Florida allows a darker tint.

She said that some of the Navy men are hunters and wanted to know how to transport their weapons.

She said these are really young people — some will be driving up seven months pregnant.

She said that the Virginia Beach groups takes along a total package — one couple returned three times, she said, and said the visits made an enormous difference.

Oberndorf assured the families that with each group coming here there would be a celebration.

Oberndorf said that moving is not easy — especially when you're getting impressions from negative letters.

She said that the local group will return one more time to Jacksonville, possibly in May.

Family business sticks it out at Farmer's Market

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visit in search of fresh greens, sweet potatoes, pecans and peanuts. They also come to buy the thick, dark local honey that has become a winter staple in many households.

Many people rely on that honey to soothe colds, sore throats and other winter-time miseries.

"It's good for allergies," Mosley said "but it has to be local."

Locally-produced honey, he explained, has the pollen from the countless species of plants that cause so many Virginia Beach residents to suffer from allergies and hay fever.

"I eat it religiously," Mosley continued. "I take a tablespoon every morning, mixed with a lot of tea. And honey and vinegar will also help you lose a few pounds."

Mosley's worked at the family-run business for about 15 years, and he also helps to grow much of the produce, including the butterbeans that the family's become famous for locally. Many regular customers recognize his mother-in-law, Elsie Creckmore, who spends most of the hot summer days shelling butterbeans in the shady, breezy stall.

The cold keeps her at home most of the time now, said Mosley, "although she comes in sometimes on Saturdays."

His wife, sisters-in-law and nieces also share the work, and he divides his time between Farmer's Market and his job as a tractor-trailer driver.

"I stay busy," he said, but he doesn't mind because the atmosphere is laid-back and he has time to chat with the customers. Most of the regular customers know exactly what they want, he said, but

others come with a lot of questions, and he has a friendly smile and an answer ready for them.

Some customers need help in selecting the best sweet potatoes for pies or questions about how to prepare butternut squash.

"A lot of people don't know that there are three kinds of sweet potatoes," Mosley said. "There's a white sweet potato, a hayman, and a Georgia Red. The Georgia Red is good for pies and puddings, the Hayman is good just baked, and the white is used mostly for the sweet potato chips."

Other customers, particularly the tourists he sees in the summer, have much more fundamental questions. Some need to know how to get to the beach, others want to know if potatoes grow on trees.

"Some of the questions are funny," Mosley said. "Some guy came in once and asked me if sweet potatoes grew on trees. I thought he was trying to be funny, so I kind of laughed. Then he said, 'No, I'm serious, I really don't know where they come from.'"

Another lady, he said "thought peanuts were grown on trees like pecans. I told her that if they grew on trees, they'd probably have tougher skin."

Mosley has his own thoughts about peanuts and vegetables, which he's also willing to share with the customers. They're good for you, he advised, and the ones that grow underground are particularly wholesome.

Eight-year-old Dion III helps his father man the stall for right now, but he's quick to tell you that his career plans don't include farming. "I want to be a fighter pilot when I grow up," he said. "You don't have to go crazy if your crops don't grow."

Kempsville Meadows scholars capture Word Masters honors

A team of students representing Kempsville Meadows Elementary won highest honors in the first meet of this year's WordMasters Challenge — a national language arts competition, consisting of three separate meets held at intervals during the academic year, which has been entered by more than 4,300 school teams this year.

Participating in the very difficult Gold Division of the Challenge, and supervised by Shirley Nofstinger, the school's fourth graders tied for fifth place in the nation in the year's first meet, among 281 school teams participating at this grade level and in this division. One of the school's students won highest honors for individual achievement as well: Ryan Cronin

earned a perfect score in the meet, where nationwide only 15 fourth graders did so.

Other individual students who achieved outstanding results in the meet included Nick Anderson, Nicole Cremer, John Maravich, Madelyn Bliss, Andrea Johnson and Amy Merrill.

The WordMasters Company, based in Allendale, N.J., has sponsored this competition for elementary and middle school students at public, private and parochial schools all across the country for the last 12 years. The WordMasters Challenge is an exercise in critical thinking which first encourages students to become thoroughly familiar with a set of interesting new words (considerably harder than grade level) and then requires them

to use those words to complete analogies expressing various kinds of logical relationships.

The reasoning ability developed by students participating in the challenge is like the aptitude measured for high school juniors and seniors by the verbal SAT exam. The WordMasters word lists and analogies, however, have been specifically designed to engage younger students. They are particularly well suited for able and interested children, who rise to the challenge of mastering new words and enjoy the logical puzzles posed by analogies.

The students will compete in two more WordMasters meets this year, and medals and certificates will be awarded in June to those who have achieved and/or improved the most in the course of the year.

Alignments for Ferrell Parkway Phase II, V on next Tuesday's agenda

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

Alignments recommended by city staff for phases II and V of Ferrell Parkway are less expensive and less intrusive on the neighborhood than other options, according to Clarence Warnstaff, acting public works director.

The projects, which would cost a total of approximately \$47 million, are expected to be completed by 2005-2006. Councilwoman Barbara Henley questioned the late completion date for the road which is expected to relieve the congestion on Princess Anne Road.

Council will consider the alignment options next Tuesday.

Phase II will consist of a four-lane divided roadway on Dam Neck Road to the Municipal Center, a distance of 2.2 miles. The total cost of this portion is estimated at \$21.6 million with the city's share coming to \$2.5 million.

Phase V will consist of a four-lane divided roadway on a six-lane right-of-way from Princess Anne Road (Ferrell Parkway Phase II) at North Courthouse Loop to the part of Ferrell Parkway previously constructed to provide access to the

Princess Anne Recreation Center from General Booth Boulevard. The project will be approximately 2.7 miles. Both phases include bike paths.

The estimated cost of Phase V is \$25.2 million of which the city will contribute a little over \$2 million.

Warnstaff said that for Phase II, the staff recommended one of two options which is also favored by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). He said that this route is shorter than the other option, is a more direct alignment, would require less purchase of right-of-way and would have less impact on wetlands. The route follows Princess Anne Road. The other option is similar but shifts to the north for a portion of the road. The recommended option, however, would displace 23 homes while the other option would displace 11, and would displace two businesses while the other option would displace five businesses. No churches would be displaced with the recommended option, while one would be displaced with the other.

The staff considered three corri-

dors for Phase V and came up with one that impacts no homes or business, requires less right-of-way purchase by the city, and is less expensive. An option toward which VDOT and the U.S. Corps of Engineers are leaning would impact 12 homes and 10 businesses. At informational and location hearings, residents preferred the options proposed by staff, Warnstaff said.

Warnstaff said that he thought that the Corps' concerns about wetlands could be addressed, possibly by building a long bridge over West Neck Creek.

Warnstaff said that the Corps is making a Princess Anne Corridor study to develop a concept for roads related to aesthetics and design. "Our goal is to give them a complete package," he said. He said he wanted the city to have an influence on the design.

Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. agreed with Henley saying that when he saw the 2006 completion date his jaw dropped.

Warnstaff said that a half dozen city projects are VDOT's program and that he would review all the projects to determine whether there can be some trade-offs.

Cost estimates to fix amphitheater sound approach half million mark

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Another method of blocking the sound inside the homes are glass replacement or storm windows at a few hundred dollars per window or acoustical windows at a few thousand dollars per window.

The baffles would reduce the sound level by 3-5 dB (decibels) for music; the low speaker improvement would primarily affect the clarity of the music; the barrier would reduce sound levels by 5-10 dB in a limited area, and the glass replacement would reduce inside sound by 5-10 dB and the acoustical windows, 10-20 dB inside. Schafer said that in Salem Woods, the noise from the crowd was louder than the performance.

The sound, Schafer said, is also affected by atmospheric conditions which they can do nothing about, other sounds such as aircraft or highway noise, and even the time of day.

One sound tends to cloak other sounds — like the noise of two highways on the drawing board and the increase in planes from the Naval Air Station at Oceana — so that there may be a change in the perception of sounds from the amphitheater. The cost benefit may change, he said, as other changes come about.

Councilman Don Weeks asks how the consultants rated the design of the amphitheater. Schafer said that it was typical of other amphitheaters in design; they are not often in a hole in the ground.

Stewart said said since his firm was not involved in the original design phase, he did not know. He said there is a difference between the Virginia Beach theater and Walnut Creek.

Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. said that during the planning process, the city was well aware that walls could be built, but piles would have had to be driven and the city did not want to go to that expense. He said that the city wanted to experiment first and not throw taxpayers' money away if it was not needed.

He pointed out that Walnut Creek has some changes. He said that beach officials understood that a retrofit could be done. He said that council members went to Walnut Creek to look at that project.

An advantage at Walnut Creek is that the roof structure is lower than at GTE where the barrier slopes. He said that safety was one consideration for the sloping berm.

Stewart added that there were also problems with the soil.

Harrison cautioned that before the

city went ahead with a structural engineering analysis, the legal documents should be studied to in respect to the tenant's interest. "They may have some rights we can't overlook."

Stewart said that the ear would barely notice a change of 3 dB. Councilwoman Margaret Eare said that if an appreciable difference won't result from the changes, "I wonder if the benefit is worth the cost," she noted.

According to the study — consultants were present for three concerts — Jethro Tull, Aerosmith and Janet Jackson — changes are possible to reduce the sound escaping the amphitheater by 3-5 dB while leaving the perimeter of the pavilion mostly open. Different loudspeakers would have better directional control on the lawn. A barrier wall near the closest Salem Lakes Homes and selective home window improvement should be considered.

Stewart said that anything that is done will have a greater control over the higher frequencies than the bass.

When councilman Louis R. Jones asked whether the cost would be between \$400,000 and \$500,000, Stewart replied, "Possibly."

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'12 Weeks to a Better You': Getting fit with FitQuest

For everyone who vowed to get in shape, lose weight or just work out more often this year, the YMCA knows how to help you reach that goal.

With FitQuest, the YMCA offers a 12-week program combining the benefits of a personal trainer with high-tech fitness software, state-of-the-art equipment and prizes for reaching various point levels. FitQuest boasts an 80 percent retention rate and many of those who complete the YMCA's program are new to exercise or just couldn't seem to stick to a new routine, despite good intentions on New Year's Day.

Used by more than 8,000 YMCA members last year, FitQuest acts as a fresh approach to shaping up. Participants who enroll in the program begin by meeting with a trained YMCA fitness coach. After discussing the individual's goals, the coach prescribes a 12-week program then meets with the participant on a regular basis to monitor progress.

According to Anita Anderson, association program development director, "Communication between the coach and the participant is the key to success." FitQuest takes into account more than ideal body

weight or physical goals. Before each custom program is developed, the coach discusses an individual's reasons for dropping out of exercise programs in the past. Anderson adds, "By taking an active listening role, the coach can anticipate the barriers to following a fitness routine, and offer the tools and skills needed to keep them on track and reach their goal."

Another key to the program's success is FitLinux, a computer that evaluates an individual's progress. Installed on all fitness equipment, participants enter their personal pin code so each step of the workout may be tracked. FitLinux acts as a computerized personal trainer, providing individuals with instant feedback during their workouts.

On cardiovascular equipment, FitLinux sets workout goals and monitors total calories burned. For strength-training equipment, FitLinux indicates where individuals should set the seat position and how many repetitions and sets should be completed at each workout. The software program also monitors range and lift speed. Participants are assured of exercising properly and progressing at a safe pace because FitLinux indicates

when a change is recommended.

In addition, FitLinux serves as a valuable tool for the fitness coach by measuring an individual's progress throughout the 12-week program. At any time, the coach can access the individual's training history, analyze previous workouts and track specific goals. Coaches can also use the technology to develop customized recommendations for FitQuest participants and to leave messages of encouragement between meetings.

The YMCA's point system provides another incentive for people to stick to their exercise program. FitLinux awards points after each workout, and the YMCA rewards members who reach set point levels with prizes ranging from a T-shirt to a YMCA workout bag. Individuals can continue to earn points after the completion of the 12-week FitQuest program.

Developed by local YMCA staff, FitQuest may soon be adopted nationally by the YMCA of the U.S.A. The program is free to all YMCA members. For more information on "12 Weeks to a Better You" through FitQuest, or to learn more about the FitLinux technology available at the YMCA call, 624-9622.

HEALTH TIPS

■ Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Center. This free service for cancer patients and their families offers both educational and emotional support. The support group meets on the third Monday of every month. For more information call, 496-6330.

■ Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Breast Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Center. This free service for breast cancer patients offers both educational and emotional support. The support group meets on the second Monday of every month. For more information call, 481-8393.

■ Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Resolve Through Sharing Support Group meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the hospital's West Wing Conference Room. This support group helps parents recover from the loss of a child through miscarriage, still birth or early infant death. Parents are welcome to share their feelings or just listen to others who understand and care.

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

■ Families of all ages are invited to a musical dramatization of African-American history on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Central Library auditorium (4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.). This moving performance uses familiar songs to tell the story of emancipation. Call 437-6450 to register.

"Let My People Go," directed by Christine Davis, is a production of the Virginia Opera Guild. This program is jointly sponsored by the Friends of the Virginia Beach Library, the Virginia Beach Public Library and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

■ Children aged 3 to 12 years old are invited to hear African-American stories told by Ruby West at the Pungo-Blackwater Library on Saturday, Feb. 13 at 2 p.m. Call 426-5194 to register.

■ Chef Cedra Blount and the Black Student Alliance of Johnson and Wales University, College of Culinary Arts, will demonstrate the preparation of African-American cuisine in Meeting Room A of the Virginia Beach Central Library on Sunday, Feb. 14 from 2 to 3 p.m. If you are interested in foods and recipes from Africa and the West Indies that have influenced American cookery, Call 437-6450 to register.

■ Poet Keisha Parker will lead a workshop for young writers aged 13-16 on Friday, Feb. 19 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Bayside Library. Bring what you've written and explore poetry as a means of expression for diverse viewpoints. Refreshments will be served. Call 460-7518 to register.

■ The Pungo-Blackwater Library (922 Princess Anne Road) presents as part of African-American History month, Ruby West, storyteller of African-American stories for the whole family. Call 426-5194 to register. Participation is limited to 25.

■ To be held at Pungo-Blackwater Library (922 Princess Anne Road, 426-5194) the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m., a group book discussion bringing together readers who enjoy the "romance" genre.

■ Tax Consulting for the Elderly at Central Library, Feb. 1 through April 13, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Central Library presents tax consulting for senior citizens sponsored by the AARP. For further information call the CL Administration office, 437-6450.

■ African-American Art and History Exhibit Feb. 1-28 in gallery; Feb. 16-28 in display cases at Virginia Beach Central Library. The King's Outreach Program present an exhibit of African-American Art and History as part of the library's African-American History Month Program.

■ Simply Unique, Ext. exhibit Feb. 1-15 in first floor exhibit cases at Virginia Beach Central Library. Simply Unique, Etc. presents an exhibit of angels and other figurines as part of the celebration of African-American History Month.

For more information call, 481-8252.

■ Virginia Beach General Hospital's Sleep Disorders Center will hold a Sleep Disorders Support Group on Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. in the 2 North Clinical Support classroom. The Sleep Disorders Center at VBGH is accredited by the American Sleep Disorders Association. The support group, AWAKE, provides support and education to families and individual members of the community on causes and treatments of sleep disorders. AWAKE (Alert, Well and Keeping Energetic) is part of a national organization and is the first of its kind in the Virginia Beach area.

LEGAL NOTICES

Auction: 1987 Ford EXP
Serial: 1FABP1793HW257778
Auction Date: February 8, 1999
Time: 11:00 a.m. at Chesapeake Motor Sports, 1216B South Military Hwy., Chesapeake, VA 23320.

Tidewater Acceptance Corporation reserves the right to bid.

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Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1301 Lake James Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kendall W. Boyd and Joann T. Boyd dated March 1, 1994 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3358, page 439, securing a loan which was originally \$142,400.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 11, 1999 at 8:02 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 153, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "LAKE JAMES, PHASE 1A, KEMPESVILLE BOROUGH, VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA". Tax Map #1465-28-0542.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$13,600.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional.
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FOR INFORMATION
CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nector Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustees
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 10, 1999 at 12:00 Noon in the City Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Courthouse, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY. THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN

ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Z-1 Commercial Properties, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from I-1 Light Industrial to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the northeast intersection of Indian River Road and Military Highway. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for business commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for business parks, offices, and employment support uses that are in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcels are located at 820, 830 & 840 S. Military Highway and at 6404 Indian River Road and contain 4.2 acres more or less. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

2. An Ordinance upon Application of The Franciscus Company for an Amendment to The Green Run Land Use Plan to allow an automobile service station in conjunction with a convenience store at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Windmill Point Crescent. Said parcel contains 1.663 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Grace Arzillo for a Conditional Use Permit for a home occupation (day care) on Lot 40, Block 0, Section Two, Part Three, Charlottesville. Said parcel is located at 1813 Roves Lane and contains 17,000 square feet more or less. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Beth Shalom Terrace for a Conditional Use Permit for an assisted living facility at the southwest intersection of Auburn Drive and College Park Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 6401 Auburn Drive and contains 6.131 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of S.C.P. Properties, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for mini-warehouses on certain property located on the west side of S. Lynnhaven Road, 200 feet more or less north of Silina Drive. Said parcel contains 1.15 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Timothy C. McCoy for a Conditional Use Permit for a recreational facility of an outdoor nature on certain property located at the southeast corner of Pacific Avenue and 22nd Street. Said parcel contains 14,026 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Spring Branch Community Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church on the east side of Great Neck Road, north of Harbor Lane. Said parcel is located at 1510 Great Neck Road and contains 9,250 acres. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Donald Berger for a Conditional Use Permit for indoor recreation (billiards) on the north side of Pembroke Boulevard, west of Independence Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 4616 Pembroke Boulevard and contains 1.35 acres. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hamzah for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station in conjunction with a convenience store and a car wash on the east side of S. Independence Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 360 and 368 S. Independence Boulevard and contains 2.2 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

10. An Ordinance upon Application of Boys Club of Norfolk, Inc., TJA Boys & Girls Club of South Hampton Roads for a Conditional Use Permit for a boys & girls club at the northern extremity of Competitor Court. Said parcel is located at 1505

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Enjoy 'Amazing Adventures of Chessie the Manatee' Feb. 7

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia will present "The Amazing Adventures of Chessie the Manatee" on Feb. 7 at 3 p.m. This charming puppet show by Rainbow Puppet Productions delights and educates youngsters and their adult escorts about the Florida manatee that visited the Chesapeake Bay in 1994.

Chessie, as this long-distance commuter came to be known, has returned to visit each summer since and one year, traveled as far as Rhode Island.

Rainbow Puppet Productions "The Amazing Adventures of Chessie the Manatee" recounts the hilarious meeting and ensuing friendship between Seymour the Seagull, a seasoned Chesapeake Bay resident, and Chessie, the "swimming cow." Through musical numbers ranging in styles from Elvis to southern ballads, children will encounter more than 40 life-like puppets, including a loggerhead turtle, seashores, bottlenose dolphins and a 5-foot tiger shark.

Beginning at 1:30 p.m., children are invited to the center for artful animal activities. These activities will allow children to create their own animal-inspired hats, buttons, sculpture and other art objects to take home.

Rainbow Puppets Productions presents this performance under the auspices of Young Audiences of Virginia. Young Audiences of Virginia is the premier arts-in-education organization in Virginia, reaching more than 650,000 children a year through its school arts programs. This program is cosponsored with the Virginia Marine Science Museum and funded, in part, by the Virginia Beach Foundation.

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is located at 2200 Parks Ave. in Virginia Beach. Admission for "The Amazing Adventures of Chessie the Manatee" is \$2 for one child plus one adult, \$1 each additional person. Price includes museum admission, Artful Animal Activities are \$1 per activity and includes museum admission. For more information and advance group sales call, 425-000.



PUPPET PLAY. "The Amazing Adventures of Chessie the Manatee" will be presented by Rainbow Productions and Young Audiences of Virginia at the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia on Feb. 7.

African-American professionals in science field honored

To kick-off February as Black History Month, the Virginia Marine Science Museum is hosting African-Americans in Science Day on Saturday, Jan. 30 throughout the day.

Free with museum admission, the science fair-like atmosphere will focus on encouraging African-American students, as well as others, to pursue various careers in the sciences. During the event, local African-American professionals and college students in various scientific fields will share their experiences and suggestions.

Topics include:

- Women In Medicine — Meet local medical care professionals and discover that the science of healing is for everyone.
- Teaching For The Future — Meet local teachers and professors who discuss the joys of both teaching and expanding young minds.
- Gearing Up For College — Learn about continuing educational opportunities and how college prepares you for your future.
- Preserving Our Parks — Preserving the environment is not just a job, it's an adventure! Meet and

talk with professionals who care for the environment for a living full-time.

■ Opportunities In The Aquarium Field — Museum staff will explore the job opportunities in the aquarium field and outline what's involved in operating a large public aquarium.

Chrome Club members will receive special admission rates when showing proper identification at the museum's admission desks.

For more information on African-Americans in Science Day call, 437-4949.

Math Night

Kempsville Meadows Elementary will hold Math Night with Sandy Alley, a math coordinator for the Virginia Beach Public Schools, for second graders on Feb. 2. Parents and children can visit interactive stations that feature hands-on activities from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. All parents of second grade students are welcome to enjoy an evening with their children's teachers.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Arrowhead Elementary PTA is offering a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior at a Virginia Beach City Public School. Applicants must have attended Arrowhead Elementary for a minimum of two years and must have maintained a 2.5 or above average in their secondary education. The scholarship will be paid to a college, university or vocational school. Applications are available in high school guidance offices and are due at Arrowhead by April 1.

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Competitor Court and contains 4.405 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 8/13/97:

11. An Ordinance upon Application of Creeds & Associates, Inc., a VA Corp., M.M. & Gayle B. Rollins for an alternative rural residential development on certain property located at the southeast corner of Oakum Creek Drive; Said parcel contains 30.03 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 8/12/98:

12. An Ordinance upon Application of Long Bay Development Ltd., for a Conditional Use Permit for a marina (improvements) at the southeast intersection of Great Neck Road W and Buchanan Road. Said parcel contains 7.3 acres more or less. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 1/13/99:

13. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Greenwood Associates, LLC. Property is located on the east side of Holland Road, 284 feet south of Seville Garden Way. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

14. Application of Berkshire Apartments, L.L.C., for the modification of conditions placed on A-1 to A-2 on July 13, 1981. Property is located on the east side of West Lane, 200.46 feet north of Virginia Beach Boulevard. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

15. An Ordinance upon Application of Oil Equipment Properties for a Conditional Use Permit for a self-serve car wash with office/equipment building on Lot 4, east half of Lot 42 and the west half of Lot 40, Bradford Park. Said parcel is located at 4102 Rutherford Road and contains 1.92 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

16. An Ordinance upon Application of Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Princess Anne Road and S. Independence Boulevard. The proposed zoning classification change of Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban employment use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 23.08 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTREVILLE.

17. An Ordinance to amend Sections 1504 and 1514 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the elimination of on-street parking requirements for uses other than hotels and motels in the RT-1 and RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts.

18. An Ordinance to amend Section 1521 of the City Zoning Ordinance, establishing commercial parking lots and garages as conditional uses in the RT-3 Resort District, eliminating commercial parking lots and garages as principal uses in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District, and allowing off-site parking for uses located in the RT-1 RT-2 Resort Tourist Districts as a conditional use in the RT-3 Resort Tourist District.

19. An Ordinance to amend Section 1511 of the City Zoning Ordinance eliminating commercial parking garages as a permitted use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District and adding same as a conditional use in the RT-2 Resort Tourist District.

20. Application of Edward O. "Ted" Yoder for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of a portion of Holly Road beginning at the northern boundary of Bay Colony Drive and running in a northwesterly direction a distance of 284.01 feet. Said parcel contains 12.405 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

21. An Ordinance upon Application of Dockery Lambert, Jr. & Mildred Lambert for a Conditional Use Permit for a cemetery, columbarium, crematory and mausoleum on certain property located on the north side of Indian River Road beginning at a point 1500 feet east of Riddick Lane. Said parcel contains 24.55 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

22. An Ordinance upon Application of Davisville Properties, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District to B-2 Community Business District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District at the southwest intersection of First Colonial Road and Republic Road. The proposed zoning classification change to

Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban medium density residential at densities that are compatible with single-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 11.681 acres more or less. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend. Robert J. Scott, Planning Director. Copies of the proposed ordinance, resolution and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

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Public Notice

Virginia:

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, February 9, 1999 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Terry/Peterson Residential One, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to A-12 Apartment District with a PD-12 Planned Unit Development District Overlay on certain property located at the eastern extremity of Connie Lane. The proposed zoning classification change to A-12 with a PD-12 Overlay is for multi-family residential land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 28.24 acres. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

2. An Ordinance upon Application of RML Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on certain property located on the south side of South Plaza Trail beginning at a point 150 feet more or less east of Princess Anne Road. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 10.200 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet more or less south of South Plaza Trail. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for planned community with a variety of related uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Princess Anne Trail Partners, L.L.C., for a Conditional Use Permit for gasoline sales and a car wash in conjunction with a convenience store on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 120 feet more or less south of South Plaza Trail. Said parcel contains 2.737 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Yossi Amudal for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicles sales on Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 25 & 26, the northern 25 feet of Lots 34, 35 & 36 and the northern 25 feet of the eastern three feet of Lot 33, Block 36, Euclid Place. Said parcel is located at 4921 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 17.100 square feet. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Assisted Care Developers, LLC, for a Conditional Use Permit for an independent and assisted living

facility at the southwest intersection of Holland Road and S. Independence Boulevard. Said parcel contains 7.787 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

NONCONFORMING USE: DISTRICT 6 - BEACH

7. Application of Bank of Tidewater for an enlargement in a nonconforming use at the northeast corner of Pacific Avenue and 38th Street. Said parcel is located at 3801 Pacific Avenue and contains 12,196.8 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AEE City Clerk

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303; Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

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Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
3067 Blitz Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kimberly R. Sanders dated February 27, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3478, page 1120, securing a loan which was originally \$45,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on February 11, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 23, Site 1, in Block D, as shown on that certain plat entitled "RESUBDIVISION OF PRINCESS ANNE PLAZA, SECTION 22 (MAGIC HOLLOW P.U.D.)."

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid

at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$4,500.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum of contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: VA.

NP980406

FOR INFORMATION

CONTACT: Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustees
750 Miller Drive, Suite C2
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

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Public Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court Department

Middlesex Division

Docket No. 99A0004-TI

Citation G.L.c. 210, § 3

In the Matter of Jilliane Kathryn Humrich

To any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.

A putative father will not have standing as a party to this case without a voluntary acknowledgment of parentage or an adjudication of paternity.

A petition has been presented to the Court by Act of Love Adoptions, 734 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, Mass., representing that the father - of the child Jack(s) the current ability, capacity, fitness and readiness to assume parental responsibility for the child; that the petitioner's plan for the child will serve the child's best interests; and, praying that this Honorable Court enter a decree under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 210, Section 3, that shall have the effect of terminating the rights of the person(s)

named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the custody, guardianship, adoption, or other disposition of the child named herein.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE AT THE Middlesex Probate Court, 208 Cambridge St., Cambridge, Ma. before TEN O'CLOCK in the forenoon (10:00 A.M. on March 15, 1999.

You are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving AFDC, EAEDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, food stamps, refugee resettlement benefits, Medicaid and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Register/Adoptions Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed above to obtain the necessary forms.

Witness: Sheila E. McGovern, First Justice of this Court.

Date: Jan. 6, 1999

Marie A. Gardin, acting register of probate.

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Public Notice

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

In re Marriage of Joseph Christopher Skelton, Petitioner,

and Jennifer Suzanne Skelton, Respondent.

NO. 98 3 03377

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (SMPB)

TO THE RESPONDENT: Jennifer Suzanne Skelton

1. The petitioner has started an action in the above court requesting that your marriage be dissolved.

2. The petition also requests that the Court grant the following relief:

Dispose of property and liabilities.

3. You must respond to this summons by serving a copy of your written response on the person signing this summons and by filing the original with the clerk of

the court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons (60 days after the 1st day of July, 1999), the court may enter an order of default against you, the court may, without further notice to you, enter a decree and approve or provide for other relief requested in this summons. In the case of a dissolution of marriage, the court will not enter the final decree until at least 90 days after service and filing. If you serve a notice of appearance on the undersigned person, you are entitled to notice before an order of default or a decree may be entered.

4. Your written response to the summons and petition must be on form WP DF 01.0300, Response to Petition (Domestic Relations). Information about how to get this form may be obtained by contacting the clerk of the court, or by contacting the Office of the Administrator for the Court at (360) 705-5328, or from the Internet at the Washington State Supreme Court Homepage: <http://www.wa.gov/courts/>

5. If you wish to see the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be served on time.

6. One method of serving a copy of your response on the petitioner is to send it by certified mail with return receipt requested.

This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.100 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of Washington.

Dated: 12/23/98

Mark T. Patterson II

W.S.B.A. #13777

Attorney for Petitioner

FILE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT:

Clerk of the Court

Snohomish County Court

MS-605

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Check for other signs of coolant leaks when engine is running.

Check for proper coolant using flow meter.

Check condition and operation of thermostat. Replace thermostat if necessary.

When you've just installed a new heater, but it produces no heat:

Check coolant level by looking in the coolant recovery bottle.

Check to be sure that 1) coolant solution flows through heater core and 2) there isn't an air lock in the heater core. A simple

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Magrisi joins firm

Robin Magrisi has joined Barker Campbell Farley and Mansfield Advertising, Public Relations and Promotions as a public relations account executive.

In this position, she will provide public relations account service for the agency's travel and tourism marketing group, focusing on campaigns for the Virginia Beach Department of Convention and Visitor Development, the Family Fun Package to the Virginia Waterfront and the Virginia Waterfront International Arts Festival.

Prior to joining the agency, Magrisi served as marketing and communications director for Norfolk Festivals, Ltd. She has produced award-winning special events, directed promotional marketing campaigns and worked extensively with local, regional and national media on behalf of the city of Norfolk.

Magrisi graduated from California State University, Fresno with a



Robin Magrisi
bachelor of arts degree in speech communications. She resides in Virginia Beach.

Regent names Fritz new director of alumni relations

Regent University recently named Rande Fritz as the director of alumni relations. She will be responsible for planning and coordinating the alumni activities of the eight different schools within the university.

Fritz spent the previous six years assisting the presidents of Regent University, Dr. David J. Gyestson,

Dr. Terrence R. Lindvall and current president Paul G. Cerjan. Regent, which just celebrated its 20th anniversary last fall, already has more than 4,000 alumni. Fritz' objectives is to "build and renew relationships." The first two efforts on her agenda are the first Annual Alumni Phonathon, which begins Feb. 15 and the Alumni Reunion Weekend scheduled for July 15-17.

Regent's School of Business receives Award of Distinction

The Regent University School of Business recently received an Award of Distinction from the 1998 Video Communicator Awards for its web-interactive recruitment CD-ROM, "Learn It and Live It."

The Communicator Awards is a national awards organization that recognizes outstanding work in the communications field.

"For this project, we wanted to start reaching out to the next generation of young entrepreneurs," said Ginger Zillges, producer of "Learn It and Live It."

The CD has the feel of a music video and targets undergraduate students, showcasing the technological advances of the Regent School of Business. As an award winner, "Learn It and Live It" earned a place in the top 20 percent among 3,200 entries.

Prospective students can view "Learn It and Live It" on the Regent of Business home page and request a CD at <http://www.regent.edu/sacad/schbus/ed/>.



FAMOUS READERS. In honor of January Reading Month, State Sen. Leo Waldrop reads to Lynette Shipman's fifth grade students at Windsor Woods Elementary.

'Famous Readers' share tales with Windsor Woods kids

By Judy Ozmar
School Correspondent

January is Reading Month all over Virginia. As part of this statewide effort Windsor Woods School has developed a number of activities with the children to emphasize the importance of reading now and in their adult life later.

One of these activities is the "Famous Readers Program."

The school uses this program to stress two points: reading is important for all of the children's life and you could be a famous person when you grow up.

The first point is achieved by inviting influential people who are decision-makers in the community to read in each classroom. Each classroom will get a different prominent person who will come in and read a book on their reading level. It is amazing how animated the adults get when they read to a class. Children love that their person is a live and 3-D individual and not a 2-D image on the television or a picture in a newspaper.

The second point works on the concept of actually talking to a person who has been successful in their field of work. Children are told what the "famous" person does for a living and are encouraged to ask questions about the job.

By seeing and talking to their guest the students will be considering whether they would like to pursue that career choice. This factor falls into another strategy at Windsor Woods School, which is placing early emphasis on continuing

their education and graduating from Princess Anne High School, the local high school.

This year the choices of people have come from the field of law. Windsor Woods had readers who are judges, the commonwealth's attorney, chief sheriff's deputy, state senators and delegates, lawyers, school board members, as well as the school superintendent and assistant superintendent and a high school principal.

Shrock praised for action on health care

State Sen. Edward Schrock (R-Virginia Beach) received praise from the Virginia Health Care Association for his efforts to help long term health care facilities in Virginia meet the growing needs of the frail elderly and disabled.

In a letter from Association President Steve Morrisette, Schrock was hailed as a "leader" in the effort to provide long term care facilities with adequate reimbursement to meet the needs of a growing elderly population.

Kepka to attend William and Mary as Monroe Scholar

Marianna Kepka of Virginia Beach will attend the College of William and Mary in the fall as a James Monroe Scholar.

Only about 5 percent of the entering freshman class are designated Monroe Scholars. To qualify, students must have combined SAT scores in the neighborhood of 1400 or higher and must graduate in the very highest percentiles of their high school classes. In addition to academic achievement, interest in the community, diversity and intellectual curiosity are also considered by the selection committee, composed of faculty and admission professionals.

The scholarship, named in honor of William and Mary alumnus James Monroe, offers a \$2,000 summer research grant for an independent study project of the student's choice. The students are also offered specially designed honors courses and the opportunity to live in specially designated honors residence halls.

Beach students named to TCC fall honor roll

Three-hundred-and-twenty-seven students at the Portsmouth Campus of Tidewater Community College made the honor roll for the fall semester.

Honor roll students carry a minimum of 20 semester hours for credit and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Honor roll students from Virginia Beach were: Stephanie Balenkee, Karen Belcher, Sheldana Beville, Nancy Brown, William Cassidy III, Paul Clausen Jr., James Donnelly, Lizelle Espinosa, Don Gulliver, Sharon Henley, Barbara Howe, David Hulatt, Imekla Krieg, Betty Lanich, Gerard Liette, Michael Long, Victor Mendez, Gary Miller, Carole Monty, Kenneth Morey, Denis Neumann, Robert Roy, Ellen Shipman, Thomas Skvarek, Michelle Trimmer, Eric Tuchscherer, Garret Van Derveer, Janis Wallace, Marian Wheeler, Rita Whetzel, Sheila Williams and Vivian Williamson.

FOR WOMEN ONLY

Get back to eating healthy using recipes low in calories

After the holidays, it's time to slow down our hectic pace of the last few months. Many of us need to shed the few pounds we gained during this festive time, too.

We're on the lookout for recipes that are low in fat and calories, yet rich and great tasting. To help out, here is a recipe for a thick and chunky, low-fat chowder to enjoy during the winter months.

Tex-Mex Cheesy Potato and Corn Chowder

- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 carton (32 oz.) or 2 cans (14 1/2 oz. each) chicken broth
- 8 cups peeled and cubed potatoes (about 4 lb.)
- 1 can (16 oz.) whole kernel corn with red and green bell peppers

- 1 can (about 4 oz.) chopped green chilies
- 1 package (2.75 oz.) Pioneer No-Fat Country Gravy Mix
- 2 cups skim milk
- 4 oz. processed Mexican cheese food (such as Velveeta), cut in 1/2-inch cubes

In large saucepan, cook and stir celery and onion in butter over medium-high heat until tender (about 5 minutes). Add chicken broth; bring to a boil. Add potatoes; cook over low heat for 20 to 25 minutes or until potatoes are soft, stirring occasionally. Stir in corn and chilies; return to boiling. Dissolve gravy mix in milk; stir into boiling mixture. Add cheese. Cook and stir over low heat until cheese is melted. Makes 6 to 8 servings.



UM-UM GOOD. This chowder is good 'comfort food' and will surely warm you up on those chilly winter nights. Complement chowder with a full-flavored bread.

Resolving menopause myths

Every day, more than 4,000 women in the United States will reach menopause. Here are a few myths and realities about this time in life:

Myth: It's all downhill after menopause.

Reality: Menopause is merely a biological marker — the time when your period ends. A recent survey showed that more than half of women are happiest and most fulfilled after menopause.

Myth: Sex and romance die after menopause.

Reality: Absolutely not. Sixteen percent of women say their sexual relationship has improved after menopause and more than half said

it remained unchanged.

Myth: Hysterectomy is the best way to deal with menopause.

Reality: Surgery should be avoided unless it is absolutely necessary. A wide range of treatment options are available, from exercise and dietary changes to medications, including hormone replacement therapy. Talk to your healthcare provider.

Myth: Menopause causes depression.

Reality: False. At worst, most women experience some short-term mood swings but overall there is a lower rate of depression in women after menopause.

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